

**Memorandum**  
**26 Hanson Street Condominium Trust**

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CC: Ramos Iron Work (Contractor), Conor Kenrick (Unit 4 Owner), Shankar Jagannathan (Unit 3 Owner), Ediz Calay (Unit 2 Owner), Alissa Scherer (Unit 1 Owner)

Date: February 22, 2022

Subject: 26 Hanson Street – Handrail Installation

As described in correspondence with you on February 15, 2022, to maintain adequate insurance coverage over the residential improvements located at 26 Hanson Street in Boston’s South End the insurance provider is requiring that “A handrail should be installed for the front entrance masonry steps, as these steps are over 30” in rise, necessitating a handrail to be installed. This is to reduce the possibility of someone falling.” The 26 Hanson Street Condominium Trust is **requesting an emergency and expedited review and approval of the handrail installation outlined in more detail below** to avoid a lapse in insurance coverage. The installation is consistent with the architectural design and intent of the neighborhood as evidenced by similar handrails that were installed at other entrances in the South End including but not limited to: [18 Hanson Street](#), [40 Hanson Street](#), [7 Taylor Street](#), [458 Shawmut](#), and [450 & 452 Shawmut](#) (some included in the photos below). The handrail is intended to substantially conform to the design and aesthetic of the aforementioned properties and is consistent with [Section I\(B\)\(2\)](#) of the Standards and Criteria published on the South End Land Mark District landing page <https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/south-end-landmark-district>.

**Description of Handrail:** The handrail will be ornamental metal painted black, approximately five and a half to seven feet long, and installed on the left side of the vestibule (same side as the operating door) with approximately three anchor points.

**Photo of Existing Vestibule at 26 Hanson Street**



## Overlay Photo of Design Intent for New Handrail Installation



Handrail image overlaid on a photo of current 26 Hanson Street Vestibule. Handrail will be approximately 5.5'-7' long and affixed in approximately three locations to the existing wood and masonry vestibule. The metal handrail will be ornamental metal and painted black, which is consistent with the architectural design and aesthetic of other properties on Hanson Street (see examples below).

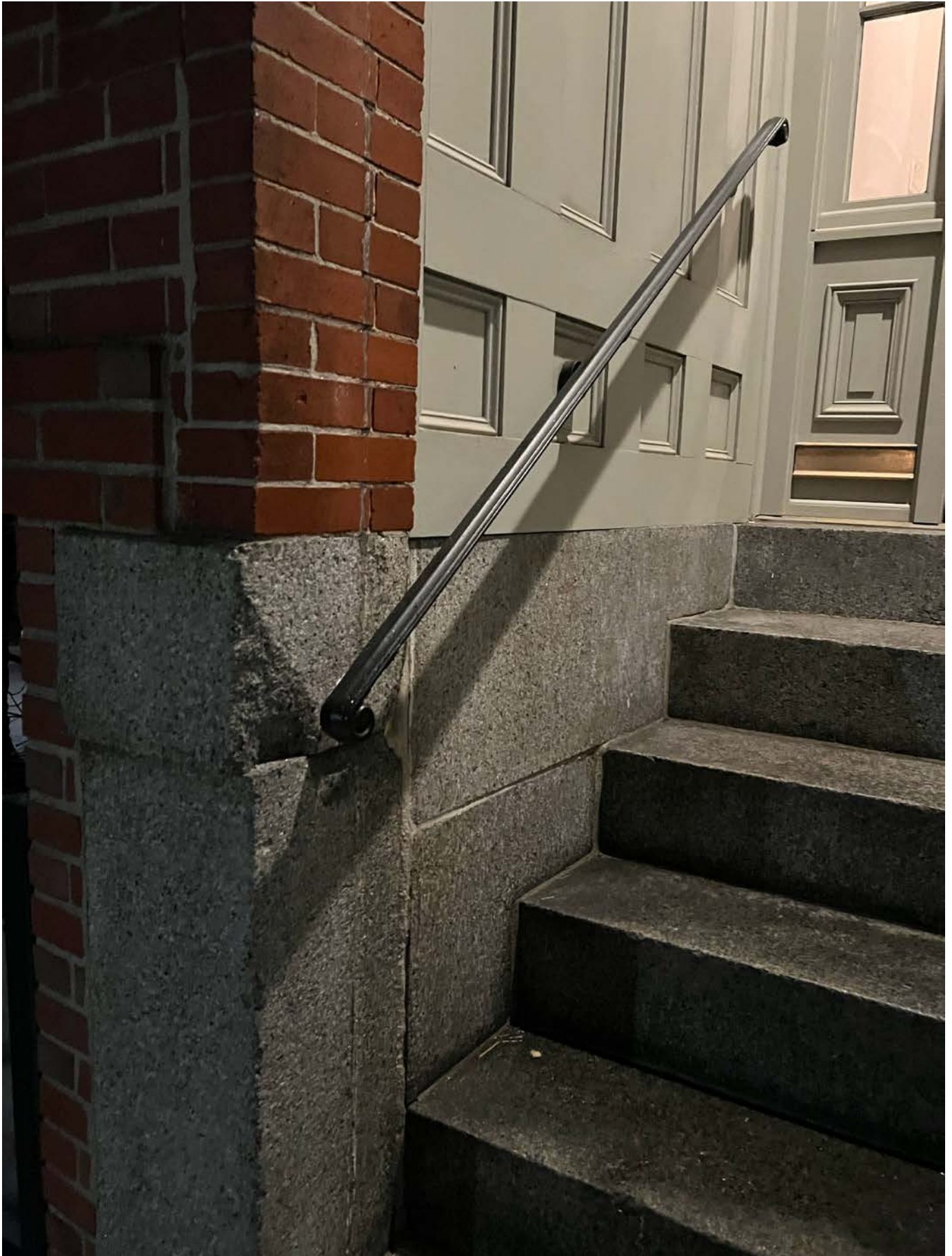


Digital Rendering of Handrail Installation at 26 Hanson Street

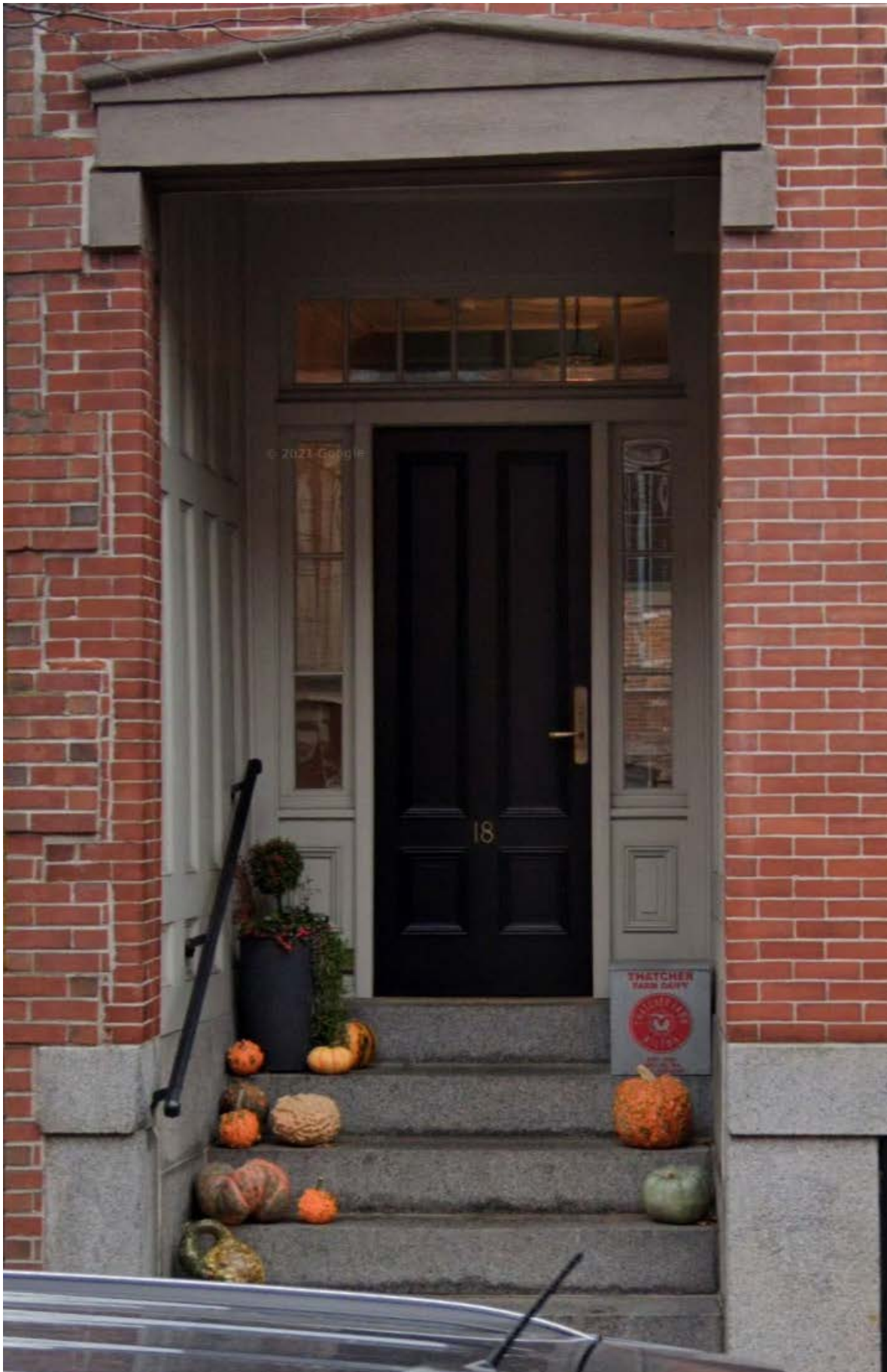




Representative Photo of Similar Handrail at 18 Hanson Street



Representative Photo of Similar Handrail at 18 Hanson Street





Representative Photo of Similar Handrail at 40 Hanson Street



Representative Photo of Similar Handrail at 7 Taylor Street





**Proposal from Ramos Iron Work**

# Ramos Iron Work

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# Proposal

Date	Estimate #
2/7/2022	2996

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Item	Description	Total
*	FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF ONE ORNAMENTAL METAL HANDRAIL MATCHING PICTURE SENT BY CUSTOMER APPROX 7LF	
**	PRIME AND PAINT BLACK	
IRON WORK	TOTAL COST OF LABOR AND MATERIAL	875.00
DEPOSIT	SIGNED PROPOSAL AND DEPOSIT OF \$300.00 REQUIRED UP FRONT	
PERMIT AND DETAIL	FIRE PREVENTION PERMIT AND FIRE DETAIL NOT INCLUDED (IF NECESSARY)	
<small>Ramos Iron Work reserves the right to review quote price after 20 DAYS from date of issue. Due to current steel market volatility the quoted price will be subject to review by our joist &amp; deck vendors if material is not delivered within 16 weeks from award. Please note that this project is quoted with the intention of using vendors of our choice</small>		<b>Total</b> 875.00

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 Ronaldo Santos / Date

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 Customer Signature / Date