Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)

From: Boulware, Christine (CI-StPaul)
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To: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul); Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)
Subject: re: 237-239 Mackubin

Marcia,
I stopped at 237-239 Mackubin last night to observe the porch railing issue.
The stairs at 237 do not currently have a hand rail.
Although it did not have a handrail historically, if required by code, a simple black pipe rail could be installed in a manner that would not damage historic materials and not have a negative visual impact.
The installation of a hand rail would require HPC review and the railing should either attach into the brick wall into mortar joints or may be anchored to the concrete deck and walk (the steps appear to be in a condition that will require re-setting at some point in the near future and attachment to the steps is not advisible.
I do have example of these types of railing that I would be happy to share with the property owner.

I do have photos, but my camera is not cooperating with the download process… I wil forward them later.

Regards,
Christine

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