

From: [Jim Wilson](#)
To: [Rebecca Frey](#)
Subject: RE: Payson Cahill, 84 Congress St
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 9:38:05 AM
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Good morning, Becky, I did do a site walk with Payson and we did go over the issues with [1] the need for a second means of egress to and from the proposed ADU [2] the placement of the 2nd means of egress making sure it is on his property and within the setbacks [3] Address any nonconforming issues with the existing stairs going up to the unit [4] Address the issues brought up by the abutter in regards to privacy as it pertains to the new means of egress with lattice or something similar on that stairway.

From: Rebecca Frey <freyr@amesburyma.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 8:37 AM
To: Jim Wilson <wilsonj@amesburyma.gov>
Cc: Nipun Jain <NIPUN@amesburyma.gov>
Subject: RE: Payson Cahill, 84 Congress St

Hey Jim,

Can you review the comment below and comment based on your walkthrough of 84 Congress Street.

1. The Building Inspector should review the existing building envelope and staircase to the second floor and landing at the entrance to the habitable space at this level. It is not clear if this staircase and entryway meets building code. The staircase railing and balusters do not appear to meet code.

Best,

Becky

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From: Jim Wilson <wilsonj@amesburyma.gov>

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 7:39 AM

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Good morning, Becky, I did a site walk at 84 Congress St with Payson yesterday and it looks like what he is proposing as far as the screening and the 2nd means of egress should be fine

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