



Certificate of Appropriateness for 300 E Gorham St

June 1, 2020



Proposal

- Clean soiled masonry
- Reverse or consolidate damaged masonry
- Replace failed mortar
- Repair exterior doors & windows
- Replacement of exterior storm windows



Gates of Heaven Southwest corner.



Gates of Heaven detail of stone condition and appearance. Also note window condition.



Gates of Heaven detail of stone condition and appearance at the front entrance.

History of the Property

- Synagogue constructed 1863
- Moved to James Madison Park in 1971
- Romanesque Revival style building



Applicable Standards

SOI Standards for Rehabilitation

5. Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property shall be preserved.
6. Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.
7. Chemical or physical treatments, such as sandblasting, that cause damage to historic materials shall not be used. The surface cleaning of structures, if appropriate, shall be undertaken using the gentlest means possible.



Staff Recommendation

Staff believes the standards for granting a Certificate of Appropriateness are met and recommends that the Landmarks Commission approve the project as proposed.

