

## AGENDA # 2

City of Madison, Wisconsin

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REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION

**PRESENTED:** 7/26/21

TITLE: 719 Jenifer St - Demolition by Neglect in  
the Third Lake Ridge Hist. Dist.; 6th  
Ald. Dist.

**REFERRED:**

**REREFERRED:**

**REPORTED BACK:**

AUTHOR: Heather Bailey, Preservation Planner

**ADOPTED:**

**POF:**

DATED: 8/5/21

**ID NUMBER:** 62805

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Members present were: Anna Andrzejewski, Richard Arnesen, Katie Kaliszewski, Arvina Martin, and Maurice Taylor. Excused were Betty Banks and David McLean.

### **SUMMARY:**

*Ryan Reda, registering in opposition and available to answer questions*

Andrzejewski opened the public hearing.

Bailey discussed the history of the demolition by neglect case and provided updated photos of the work completed at the property. She said that as of last week, all of the work has not been completed; there is a section of siding to install, repainting, and roof work, among other items. She said that Building Inspection is still engaged with the property to make sure that items related to the work order are complete. She said that the work is proceeding in good faith and the property owner has made substantial progress on it. She said that the Landmarks Commission's role is to determine whether demolition is occurring passively related to the condition of the building; she pointed out that the building is now mostly secure from the elements and it does not appear that demolition by neglect is still occurring at this property.

Kaliszewski said that the staff report recommends that the Landmarks Commission find that demolition by neglect is no longer occurring and asked the property owner if he agreed. Reda clarified that he registered in opposition to the demolition by neglect case. Andrzejewski requested an estimate for when the work would be completed. Reda said that they ordered frieze board weeks ago, and it was scheduled to be delivered this week. If he receives the materials on schedule, he said they can finish the siding, soffit, and fascia within the next two weeks or so. He said that at that point, he plans to set up a meeting with Building Inspection.

Andrzejewski closed the public hearing.

Andrzejewski said that the commission likes success stories in preservation, and she was pleased to see the property in the state that it is in now. Kaliszewski thanked Reda for all the work that has been completed on the property.

### **ACTION:**

**A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Martin, to find that the property at 719 Jenifer Street is not undergoing demolition by neglect as defined in Chapter 41. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**