From:	Hans Borcherding
To:	<u>Evers, Tag; All Alders</u>
Cc:	Hans Borcherding
Subject:	Demolition Permit 2121 Jefferson St & 1007 Edgewood,
Date:	Monday, January 13, 2025 12:08:48 PM

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Dear Plan Commission

I am asking you to deny the demolition permit for the two houses located at 2121 Jefferson St and 1007 Edgewood to help maintain the historic character of our neighborhood. Yes they both; have deferred maintenance and vinyl siding. The original windows, siding and trim work are underneath waiting for restoration. This does not equate to the houses being uninhabitable and not worthy of saving.

The historic character of the neighborhood is waiting to come out with basic renovation and repair all the other houses in our neighborhood have undergone or need. The houses have retained their beauty and character inside. Yes the kitchen is not original but the floors, trim, doors and layout remain relatively unchanged. Many of us envy the original undamaged and unpainted clear interior woodwork throughout the houses. We moved here for historic character and beauty of the entire neighborhood. These houses are also part of the history of Edgewood and also a long Native American culture, do we want to erase this as well?

We all have needed to replace plumbing, wiring, heating, landscaping, and make upgrades to modernize our houses to meet current code and changing needs, but have not gone the route of tearing down and replacing the houses we love. because they were "too far gone".

The loss of these two houses would degrade the historic nature of the Vilas Neighborhood, as well as reduce the availability of affordable housing in the near downtown area.

In closing please deny the demolition request.

Thank You Hans Borcherding 12524 Jefferson St Madison, wi, 53711

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Alders,

Following please find an email that was received in the Council Office inbox.

Thanks, Debbie Fields Program Assistant 2 Common Council Office 608-266-4297

From: Sandy Wolens <lovemotherearth9193@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2025 8:15 AM
To: Plan Commission Comments cpccomments@cityofmadison.com>; Evers, Tag
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To Whom It May Concern,

We are opposed to the demolition of 2121 Jefferson Ave and 1007 Edgewood Ave and to the creation of yet another modern monstrosity in this beautiful historic neighborhood.

The real question is WHY would such a request would be approved by any government body? Is the WHY for the acceptance of the temporary gain of **one** individual, lucky enough to have purchased these 2 homes for great prices, or for the **one** family who will occupy the new, perfectionists' dream of a home?

The destructive precedent for this and other historic neighborhoods for the long-term, the lack of consideration for current guidelines for the preservation of historic homes and of Native American (Hochunk) burial grounds on these properties and the turning of a blind eye for government approved tax credits in order to update/repair these characterful and well-crafted homes would be travesties.

We've been lucky to live in this beautiful neighborhood for 34 and counting years. It will be rare in the future to ever replicate the beauty of the wood, design and craftsmanship of these homes. Through the years we have updated and replaced everything that has been mentioned for the needs of the above mentioned homes and even more (this year finished knob and tube, new basement sewer line and drain, new pipes to replace galvanized steel). We still have the pain-in-the-butt old-fashioned pulley/ballast windows and the windows that need the top section pushed upwards before the bottom section can be pushed up and locked. Our home, and those homes and burial grounds, don't need to be torn down and replaced, just deeply appreciated for their location, their history and their craftsmanship.

Sincerely, Sandy Wolens and Michael Feldman 1010 Van Buren St, Madison, WI 53711