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From: Madison Landmarks Commission
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 2:40 PM
To: Will G.; Madison Landmarks Commission
Cc: John Bottensek; Building Inspection General Mailbox; Tony Hanfeld
Subject: RE: 1123 Jenifer Street

Will,

These are not rules of the historic society, this is the [historic preservation standards for the City of Madison](#). The relevant standard here is:

41.25 Standards for Alterations

(4) Roofs.

(b) Materials.

2. Replacement materials shall replicate the appearance of historic roofing materials found on the structure or be compatible with roofing found on historic resources in the district.

A standing seam roof is not a historic roofing material for this structure, nor is it compatible with roofing found on historic resources within the district. You may appeal to the Landmarks Commission, but their findings follow the standards as noted above.

Thank you,



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Commission-

I'm on vacation and will appeal more formally after I return. However, can you explain your thinking in more detail? My reading of the rules shows that metal roofing, specifically standing seam, is allowed. There must be something significant about my house to warrant an exception to the usual historical society rules.

-Will

On Wed, Aug 27, 2025, 8:48 PM Madison Landmarks Commission

<landmarkscommission@cityofmadison.com> wrote:



Hello,

We cannot approve a standing seam metal roof on this property. It is not in keeping with the historic character of this property or this district. You can explore metal roofing options that replicate architectural shingles, but the product must be low profile and a matte finish.

Please let us know how you would like to proceed.

Thank you,



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To Whom It May Concern,

Please reference the attached in regard to the permit application for 1123 Jenifer Street.

Kind regards,

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