



Demolition Report

Landmarks Commission

September 18, 2023

E Wilson National Register Historic District



518 E Wilson St

- Commercial building constructed in 1890 (Assessor) or 1886 (preservation file).
- Preservation file names this the J.B. Drives building, an Italianate brick structure contributing to the East Wilson Street National Register Historic District. In 2019 the LC recommended historic value based on this status.



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Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends historic value due to its status as a contributing structure in a National Register Historic District.

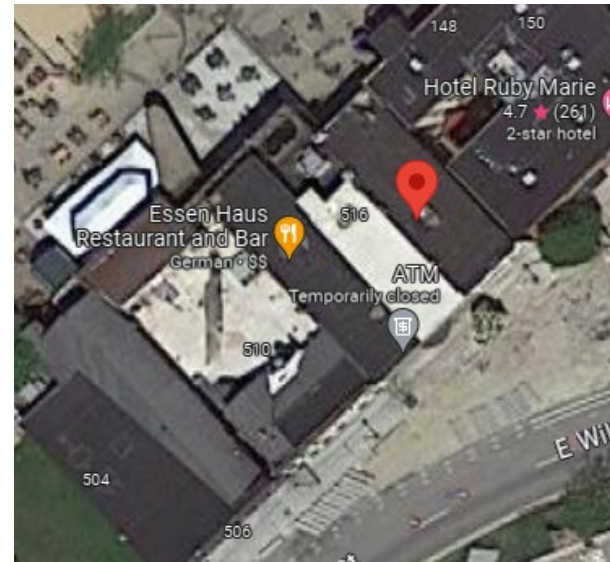


516 E Wilson St

- Commercial building constructed 1909 (Assessor) or 1886 (preservation file), remodeled in 1961 and in 1983.
- Preservation file names this the A. Ramthun Commercial Building, a non-contributing structure in the East Wilson Street National Register Historic District. In 2019 the LC recommended historic value based on the vernacular context of Madison's built environment, but the building itself was not identified to be historically, architecturally, or culturally significant.



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Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends historic value related to the vernacular context of Madison's built environment, but the building itself is not historically, architecturally, or culturally significant.

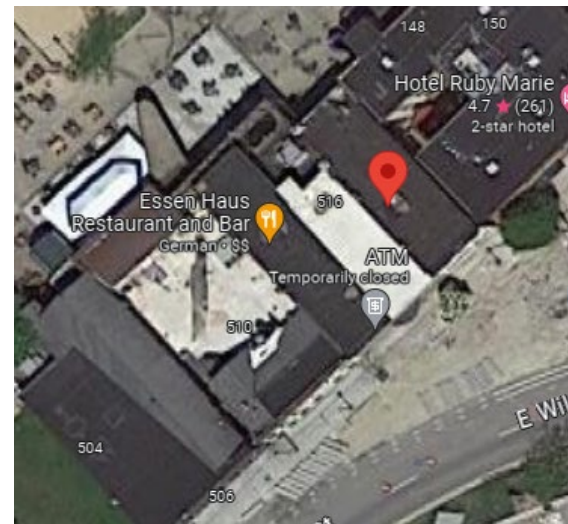


514 E Wilson St

- Commercial building constructed in 1909 (Assessor) or pre 1885 (preservation file), addition in 1954, remodeled in 1983.
- Preservation file names this the A. Ramthun Commercial Building, a non-contributing structure in the East Wilson Street National Register Historic District. Remodeled in 1910 by Ferdinand Kronenberg. In 2019 the LC recommended historic value based on the vernacular context of Madison's built environment and the product of an architect of note, but the building itself was not identified to be historically, architecturally, or culturally significant.



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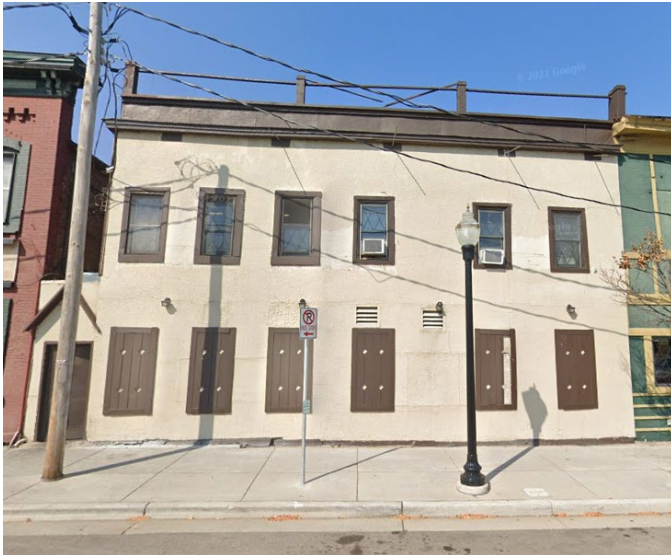
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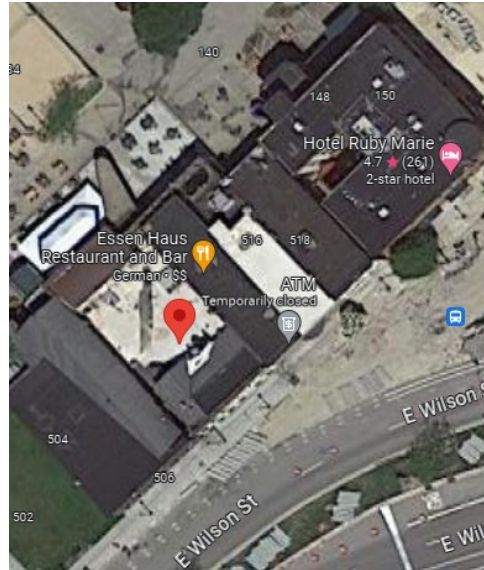


510 E Wilson St

- Commercial building constructed in 1875, additions in 1948, 1951, 1956, remodeled in 1961 (Assessor) or 1872, additions in 1882, remodeled in 1983 (preservation file).
- Preservation file names this the Germania House Hotel, vernacular structure substantially altered in 1983. Non-contributing to the East Wilson Street National Register Historic District. In 2019 the LC voted no known historic value.



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Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a finding of no known historic value.



506 E Wilson St

- Commercial building constructed in 1875 (assessor's records), 1871 (preservation file), with an addition in 1891, remodeled in 1990.
- Preservation file names it the Herman Klueter building, served as a grocery store until 1925, restaurant/bar since. WHS site file adds that it is a contributing resource to the East Wilson Street State and National Historic District, and it served important lesbian bars in the 1980s.



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WHS Image 55076, circa 1918, cropped



Preservation Slides, circa 1871-1875, cropped

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a finding of historic value as a contributing structure in a National Register Historic District, as a mostly intact example of a rare remaining resource (early Italianate) and due to the cultural significance of the site to the LGBTQ community.



29 S Mills

- Commercial Building constructed in 1965.
- Preservation file described this as an International Style meeting hall potentially eligible for landmark designation as identified in the Underrepresented Communities Survey. The 5th home of the Neighborhood House, which has provided services in Greenbush since 1916.



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Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a finding of historic value due to cultural significance, but the building itself is not architecturally significant.

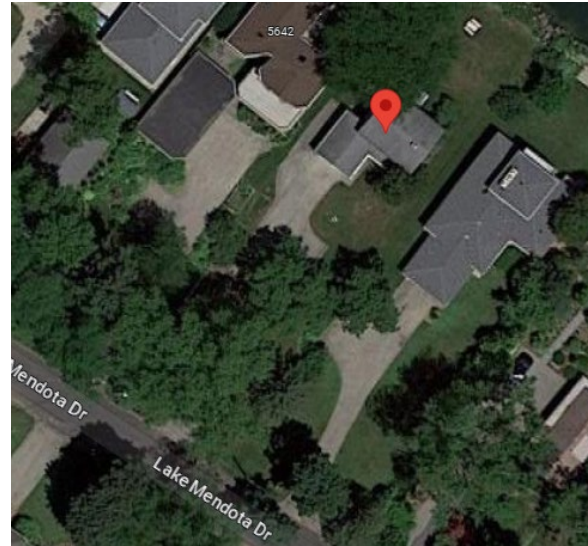


5632 Lake Mendota Dr

- Single family home constructed in 1952.
- No preservation file or WHS Site File. The lot is within the boundary of Uncatalogued Burial Sites 47-DA-0129/47-BDA-0384 (Mendota Beach Mound Group) and 47-DA-0821/47-BDA-0536 (Burton Mortuary Area). Per Wis. Stats. 157.70 the property owners will need to secure a Request to Disturb from the Wisconsin Historical Society.



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Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a finding of no known historic value for the built environment but the site is culturally significant to the Ho-Chunk people.

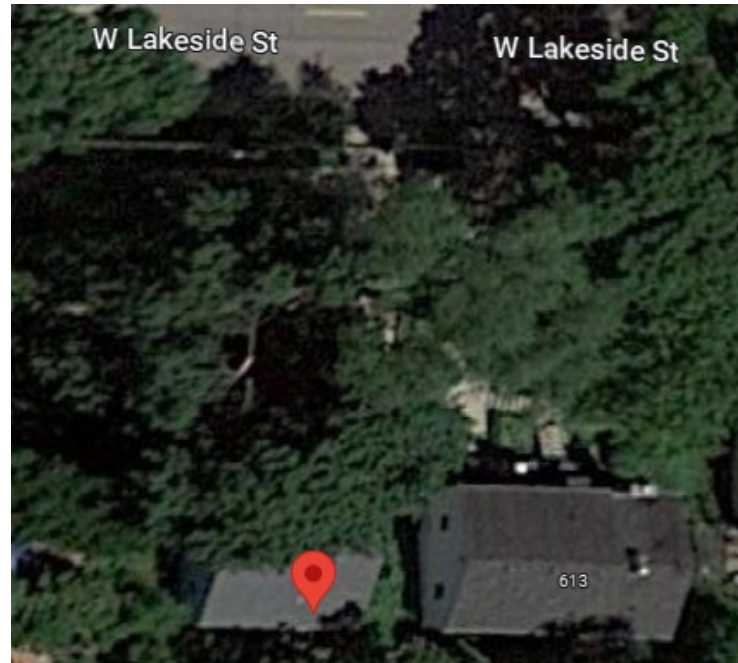


617 W Lakeside St

- Single family home constructed in 1951.
- No preservation file or WHS Site File.



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Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a finding of no known historic value.



Buildings Proposed for Demolition

Motions for Advisory Recommendation on Demolitions

- a. The Commission finds that the building(s) has no known historic value.
- b. The Commission finds that the building(s) has historic value related to the vernacular context of Madison's built environment, or as the work/product of an architect of note, but the building itself is not historically, architecturally or culturally significant.
- c. The Commission finds that the building(s) has historic value based on architectural significance, cultural significance, historic significance, as the work/product of an architect of note, its status as a contributing structure in a National Register Historic District, and/or as an intact or rare example of a certain architectural style or method of construction.

