

## AGENDA # 5

City of Madison, Wisconsin

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REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION

**PRESENTED:** July 14, 2014

**TITLE:** 1840 Chadbourne Avenue - University Heights Historic District - Attic/roof maintenance plus energy-efficient upgrades and new attic windows/skylights. 5<sup>th</sup> Ald. District. Contact: Louisa Kamps & Tim Pierce (34763)

**REFERRED:**

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**REPORTED BACK:**

**AUTHOR:** Amy Scanlon, Secretary

**ADOPTED:**

**POF:**

**DATED:** July 14, 2014

**ID NUMBER:**

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Members present were: Stu Levitan, Chair; Erica Fox Gehrig, Vice Chair; Christina Slattery, Jason Fowler, David McLean, and Marsha Rummel. Christina Slattery and Michael Rosenblum were excused. Gehrig arrived before Item #4.

### **SUMMARY:**

Louisa Kamps, registering in support, wishing to speak and available to answer questions. Kamps discussed the details of the project. Kamps said that instead of the ductless system they are going to just replace the air conditioner unit with a more efficient unit on the same pad, using the existing piping. She added that she has no issues with the other staff conditions and that the old in-wall units will hopefully be able to go away, but they may remain in place as existing if necessary. She also added that she has been working with Jen Davel at the State, who made recommendation for a window that is wood on the inside, as well as a change in materials on the roof. Kamps said that she will work with City staff on those changes.

McLean asked about the width of the attic window, and noted that the extra space may not be because of an undersized window replacement, but that space might have been used for the counter weights of the original windows. However, he added that he doesn't have an issue with the new window width.

Gehrig asked about the approval of skylights in University Heights. She appreciated the photos as provided by the Applicant, but wondered if most of those skylights were installed before the creation of the district. Staff said that staff has administratively approved low profile skylights several times in this district as the installation of skylights is easily reversible, much like the installation of a roof, and can be undone without compromising the integrity of the architecture of the building. Staff added that the only reason the skylight issue was before the Landmarks Commission was due to the fact that there was a package of other proposed repairs and alterations that should all be discussed together.

### **ACTION:**

A motion was made by McLean, seconded by Rummel, to approve the Certificates of Appropriateness based upon staff conditions and discussion at the Landmarks Commission including the requirement that the Applicant work with staff for review and approval of low profile skylights and other changes as necessary. The motion passed by voice vote/other.