

1106 Williamson Street

Requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for the historic ghost sign that was found when removing stucco from the building in 2016.

The property owner came before the Landmarks Commission in 2015 and was granted a Certificate of Appropriateness for the request to remove the front vestibule, remove stucco on the front elevation, repair stucco on other elevations, replace second floor replacement windows and other related alterations (Legistar 39230).

When removing the stucco from the front elevation, a large historic ghost sign was found. The sign was interesting, but was also visually dominating and had religious overtones that were not desired.



It was determined that the property owner would retain the FURNITURE portion of the sign only as a way to preserve a trace of that part of the building's history.





At this time, the City of Madison is asking the property owner to formalize the existence of this ghost sign by receiving a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Landmarks Commission.