



Project Address: 216 State Street
Application Type: Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations to a landmark
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Summary

Project Applicant/Contact: Arlan Kay, Architecture Network
Requested Action: The Applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for the alteration of the designated landmark.

Background Information

Parcel Location: The subject site is a designated landmark located on State Street. The property is also listed on the National Register.

Relevant Landmarks Ordinance Sections:

33.19(5)(b)4.

- a. Whether, in the case of a designated landmark or landmark site, the proposed work would detrimentally change, destroy or adversely affect any exterior architectural feature of the improvement upon which said work is to be done;

33.19(8) Maintenance of Landmarks, Landmark Sites and Historic Districts

- a. Every person in charge of an improvement on a landmark site or in a Historic District shall keep in good repair all of the exterior portions of such improvement and all interior portions thereof which, if not so maintained, may cause or tend to cause the exterior portions of such improvement to fall into a state of disrepair. This provision shall be in addition to all other provisions of law requiring such improvement to be kept in good repair.

Analysis and Conclusion

The Applicant is proposing to rehabilitate the entry area of the Orpheum by removing the existing brick, installing granite slabs that have graining similar to the original marble, removing the existing entry door system, installing a new entry door system, and installing playbill displays.

Staff believes this project will provide a more historically appropriate appearance.

Recommendation

Staff believes that the standards for granting a Certificate of Appropriateness for the alteration of the landmark building are met and recommends that the Landmarks Commission approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the work as submitted with the following condition of approval:

1. The property owner shall have the landmark plaque reinstalled on the front façade in the existing approved location. The plaque is the property of the City of Madison and shall be removed from the façade with great care. The Preservation Planner will hold the plaque until reinstallation if necessary.
2. Staff shall review the granite selection and paint color against the original marble materials for final review and approval.
3. The Applicant shall confirm that the glass in the transom of the proposed door unit will be clear glass.