

AGENDA # 2

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION	PRESENTED: April 22, 2009
TITLE: Report of the Façade Improvement Grant Staff Team – 831 Williamson Street (Chez Vous Catering). 6 th Ald. Dist. (14460)	REFERRED: REREFERRED: REPORTED BACK:
AUTHOR: Alan J. Martin, Secretary	ADOPTED: POF:
DATED: April 22, 2009	ID NUMBER:

Members present were: Richard Wagner, Marsha Rummel, Todd Barnett, Dawn Weber, Richard Slayton, John Harrington, Ron Luskin and Jay Ferm.

SUMMARY:

At its meeting of April 22, 2009, the Urban Design Commission **ACCEPTED** the report of the Façade Improvement Grant Staff Team for 831 Williamson Street. Appearing on behalf of the project was Jim Vincent. Craig Wilson of the Economic Development Division and member of the Façade Grant Staff Team summarized the report, noting approval of the proposed improvements by the Landmarks Commission since the property is located within the Fourth Lake Ridge National Historic District . Vincent provided a summary of the proposed improvements to the property. Discussion on the project by the Commission was as follows:

- Looks good.
- Masonry above windows needs work.
- Tuckpointing should be part of the scope of the project.
- Needs rail on stoop due to improvement as may be required by building code a commercial or public use. It was the applicant's belief that since its use as a studio/personal residence for its occupant, it would not be required.
- Return cornice around edge of upper parapet with railing if necessary to return back to staff for approval.

ACTION:

On a motion by Harrington, seconded by Weber, the Urban Design Commission **ACCEPTED** the report of the Façade Improvement Grant Staff Team for 831 Williamson Street. The motion was passed on a vote of (8-0). The motion required the provision of a cornice treatment around the upper edges of the parapet with a railing if necessary at the stoop to meet building code to be reviewed and approved by staff.

After the Commission acts on an application, individual Commissioners rate the overall design on a scale of 1 to 10, including any changes required by the Commission. The ratings are for information only. They are not used to decide whether the project should be approved. The scale is 1 = complete failure; 2 = critically bad; 3 = very poor; 4 = poor; 5 = fair; 6 = good; 7 = very good; 8 = excellent; 9 = superior; and 10 = outstanding. The overall ratings for this project are 5, 6, 6, 7 and 8.

URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION PROJECT RATING FOR: 831 Williamson Street

	Site Plan	Architecture	Landscape Plan	Site Amenities, Lighting, Etc.	Signs	Circulation (Pedestrian, Vehicular)	Urban Context	Overall Rating
Member Ratings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
	-	5	-	-	-	-	6	5
	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	6