



# Demolition Historic Value Review

Landmarks Commission

August 18, 2025

# 302 E Washington Avenue

- Commercial building constructed 1928



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**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends a finding of (b) as the building has historic value related to the vernacular context of Madison's built environment as the home of noted Madison newspaper, the Capital Times from 1928-1949, but the building itself is not historically, architecturally or culturally significant due to other locations being able to tell the story of the Capital Times and changes to the architectural integrity of the structure.

# Motions for Advisory Recommendation on Historic Value

- A. The Landmarks Commission finds that the building has historic value (Criterion A) 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, listed in the National Register of Historic Places, and/or as an intact or rare example of a certain architectural style or method of construction.
- B. The Landmarks Commission finds that the building has historic value (Criterion B) related to the vernacular context of Madison's built environment, cultural practices, or as the work/product of an architect of note, but the building itself is not historically, architecturally or culturally significant.
- C. The Landmarks Commission finds that the building has no known historic value (Criterion C). This category may also denote sites or properties that have historic value, and the significance will not be negatively impacted by the removal of the building itself. This category may also include sites or properties that have archaeological or other site findings of significance, but where removal of the building itself will have no impact.

