

AGENDA # 3

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION

PRESENTED: July 25, 2011

TITLE: 1439 Spaight Street – Marquette
Bungalows Historic District – Exterior
Alterations involving the
repair/replacement of wood siding and
the replacement of the rear deck. 6th
Ald. District. Contact: Jordan
Petchenik (23337)

REFERRED:

REREFERRED:

REPORTED BACK:

AUTHOR: Amy Scanlon, Secretary

ADOPTED:

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DATED: July 25, 2011

ID NUMBER:

Members present were: Robin Taylor, Acting Chair; Marsha Rummel, Christina Slattery, Erica Gehrig, David McLean, and Michael Rosenblum. Levitan was Excused. Marsha Rummel left after Item #1.

SUMMARY:

Appearing on behalf of the project was Jordan Petchenik. Mr. Petchenik has owned the property for 16 years and he would like to replace the existing sun deck. He believes a sun deck was part of the original construction. He took pictures in the two block historic district surrounding his home of similar deck elements. His present deck is not up to code. He and his carpenter are looking at heavier timbers than what was drawn. They would be either 4 x 6 or most likely 6 x 6. The timber support is wider than the framing by 1/2 to 1 inch. Might use a 4 x 4 and wrapping it with 4 pieces of cedar to create 4 x 6 or 6 x 6. Staff would like to see 2 inches of window casing and have the bracket receive the siding on the side. If there are weights and pulleys in the original windows there could be no support or framing to tie the new brackets into. Because the deck is a 10-foot span they will have to add a middle post in the front. They will do 2 different versions one flush with the top rail and another with a panel, middle post, then another panel. The deflection would be with just the rail system. Support blocks would be an option. Staff reiterated preference to place brackets outside of window casing. Mr. Petchenik will work with staff on conditions of approval. Mr. Petchenik will select a baluster/spindle that is compatible with the style of his bungalow. The floor framing underside should be painted or covered in bead board. Staining is also acceptable. Mr. Petchenik asked about the use of a composite wood called LP Smartside. He would like to use pressed wood due to the cost savings over redwood and certainly cedar for siding and floor decking. He is not sure if it can be opaque stained. McLean said composite materials sometimes have grains that appear artificial. Cedar doesn't show grain when finished.

ACTION:

On a motion by McLean, seconded by Rosenblum, the Landmarks Commission GRANTED A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS for the replacement of wood siding and the replacement of the rear deck with the following conditions:

1. The Applicant shall work with Staff to finalize the design and placement of the porch brackets as they relate to the window trim and newel posts.
2. The Applicant shall finish (paint or opaque stain) the underside of the porch deck framing.
3. The Applicant shall provide Staff with the final materials to be used in the porch construction.

The motion was passed on a vote of (5-0).