

AGENDA # 4

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION	PRESENTED: July 14, 2014
TITLE: 754 Jenifer Street – John George Ott House historic restoration. 6 th Ald. District. Contact: Stephen Mar-Pohl, InSite Consulting Architects (34762)	REFERRED: REREFERRED: REPORTED BACK:
AUTHOR: Amy Scanlon, Secretary	ADOPTED: POF:
DATED: July 14, 2014	ID NUMBER:

Members present were: Stu Levitan, Chair; Erica Fox Gehrig, Vice Chair; Christina Slattery, Jason Fowler, David McLean, and Marsha Rummel. Christina Slattery and Michael Rosenblum were excused. Gehrig arrived before Item #4.

SUMMARY:

Michael Matty, registering in support and available to answer questions.

Stephen Mar-Pohl, registering in support and wishing to speak. Mar-Pohl presented the details of the restoration project to the Landmarks Commission.

Gehrig asked if they were seeking tax credits. Mar-Pohl said that there is currently a moratorium on tax credits for commercial properties, but that they have talked to the State Historical Office about the restoration. He added that they would like to complete the restoration of the Widow's Walk, but that they haven't been able to find any good documentation except for a grainy photo. He said that he is fine with all of the proposed staff comments and conditions except he said that his mason may need to use a grinder for tuckpointing, but a grinder will only be used if they don't touch the brick.

McLean asked if they are going to do a full clean of the building. Mar-Pohl said no.

Gehrig asked about the replacing of brick. Mar-Pohl said they will use new brick only when absolutely necessary. McLean asked about replacing soffits. Mar-Pohl said that the soffits will be replaced since there is an integral eave system. He added that they have been working with Jim at SHPO about this issue and will work with City staff throughout the process.

Rummel would like to add a condition to work with staff on roofing materials.

There was a general discussion among Commissioners and the Applicant about windows. The Applicant is checking on the availability to add thick insulated glass to the existing window frames, noting that then the storm windows wouldn't need to go back on for energy purposes. Gehrig asked about screens in the storms didn't go back on, and Mar-Pohl said that that is an issue that they haven't yet figured out.

Gehrig said that the applicant should continue to work with staff on window issues pertaining to glazing and storms/screens for staff review and approval.

ACTION:

A motion was made by Rummel, seconded by Gehrig, to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with all staff conditions and three additional conditions:

1. Staff approval of roofing material.
2. Staff review and approval of doors, and window glazing and storm/screen windows.
3. Repair mortar to match existing color and texture with the material that it is replacing in stone areas.

The motion passed by voice vote/other.