

**From:** [Linda](#)  
**To:** [Plan Commission Comments](#)  
**Subject:** 114 N Blount  
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The applicant's Letter of Intent lists many problems with this house. That letter certainly could be used to support demolition. However, given the historical significance of this house, I urge the Plan Commission to first ensure that the home is truly beyond saving.

Could this house be saved if \$200,000 was put into repairs? The City Assessor values the property at \$296,800 (\$130,400 for the land, \$166,400 for the building). The purchase price of \$200,000 in December 2021 was about half of what comparably sized neighborhood properties have sold for recently. That leaves a lot of room to do repairs and not outprice the local market.

The staff reports notes that Planning Division staff have not inspected the structure and that Building Inspection does not have current repair orders on the property. At a minimum, an independent third-party (or City) inspection should be done prior to approval of demolition in order to assess the extent of the problems and costs of repair.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Lehnertz

**Wells, Chris**

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**From:** Barbara Chusid <bachusid@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 09, 2022 12:27 PM  
**To:** Plan Commission Comments  
**Subject:** Demolishing Black history landmark

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Hello-

I oppose the demolition of one of the few remaining buildings from Madison's early Black community!

"Today, the three buildings remaining are only a tiny fragment of the old black neighborhood that once flourished on East Dayton Street. But despite its reduced size, the East Dayton Street historic district is historically significant because the extant buildings are associated with some of the area's leading black pioneer families, including the Turners, the Millers, and the Hills."

Thanks,  
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