#### Details of

# Proposal to demolish building located at 1384 Williamson St.

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Submitted to City of Madison Landmarks Commission : July 19, 2010

Contact: Steve Shepherd 257-1630 acewilly@tds.net

July 17, 2010

To whom it may concern,

This letter is to confirm that Steve Shepherd & Tom Shepherd (owners of Ace Hardware Center) are acting with the approval and support of Robert Shepherd & Richard Karls (owners of S-K Investment Co.) as they seek approval to remove the building at 1384 Williamson St.

Sincerely,

Robert a Shepherd

**Robert Shepherd** 



Serving your hardware needs since 1923.

We are writing as co-owners of Ace Hardware Center, a business located at 1398 Williamson St., and also as a representative of Robert Shepherd & Richard Karls, owners of 1384 Williamson St.. We are seeking a demolition permit for the building located at 1384 Williamson St.

Although a single family residence by past use, we have been using the building as storage for the past several years. The property is zoned C2-HIS-TL and we do not intend to return the existing building to residential use. The effort required to correct this building's deficiencies would be better spent transforming the site in a way that improves Ace Hardware Center's retail operation.

If the permit is issued, Ace Hardware Center would like to remove the building, perform some minor grade work, and install landscaping. The improved site would provide for more efficient material handling to & from Williamson St. and our current storage garage. We also intend to use the site as a seasonal outdoor sales area, particularly next summer during the scheduled reconstruction of Williamson St. Some additional, secure, covered storage may have to be constructed of an appropriate design.

We feel that proceeding in this direction is necessary to ensure and enhance Ace Hardware Center's continued strong, family owned retail presence on Madison's near eastside. As it has been since 1923.

Sincerely,

Steve Shepherd & Tom Shepherd





## Pictures of Ace Hardware Center (1398 Williamson St)









**Exterior of House to be Removed (1384 Williamson St)** 



Interior of House to be Removed (1384 Williamson St)

## **Distinctively Styled**

## Elegance

### Classic™

Traditional spear pointed pickets extend through the top rail to form the popular Classic<sup>®</sup> design. The picket spear is formed with a 3/8" clameter rounced to rather them a sharp point.





Proposed fence: Montage Classic
With pillars using brick from existing chimney if feasible,
Otherwise similar style

## **Discussion of Neighborhood Contacts & Notifications**

## To date we have accomplished the following:

- -Notified the Marquette Neighborhood Assoc (MNA), Greater Williamson Area Business Assoc(GWABA) and Ald. Marsha Rummel ahead of the 60 day waiting period before applying the Plan Commission for a demolition permit.
- -Appeared before the MNA board and received their support after consultation with the MNA Preservation & Development Committee.
- -Having previously receiving verbal support from the Dave Tennessen (owner of 1380 Williamson), we have sent a letter looking for a written statement.
- -Will appear at next GWABA meeting (July 22) seeking support
- -After receiving favorable comments from many of our customers, we are placing a copy of our plan and a petition of support at our store counter.
- -Have met twice to date with Zoning, Planning, & Landmarks representatives in an effort to move our project forward within city guidelines. Will continue seek their input.
- -Will maintain availability to neighborhood in order to answer questions and listen to any concerns.



