

AGENDA # 5

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION

PRESENTED: August 1, 2016

TITLE: 801 Williamson Street, Third Lake Ridge Historic District – Demolish current structure; replace with a new mixed-use building.
6th Ald. Dist. Contact: Jim Glueck, Glueck Architects

REFERRED:

REREFERRED:

REPORTED BACK:

AUTHOR: Amy Scanlon, Secretary

ADOPTED:

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DATED: August 1, 2016

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Members present were: Stuart Levitan, Chair; Anna V. Andrzejewski, Lon Hill, David WJ McLean, and Marsha A. Rummel

SUMMARY:

Brandon Cook, registering in support and available to answer questions.

Jim Glueck, registering in support, wishing to speak, and available to answer questions.

There was general discussion about the condition of the building and how it was purchased in as-is condition. Glueck explained that the property owner is responsible for the property, but the building's condition was not caused by the current property owner. The current property owner is providing an informational presentation to the Commission to get an understanding of the Commission's concerns as he moves forward in finding an appropriate treatment for this property. Glueck explained that there is not a specific proposal for the site at this time, but that the property owner is considering a mixed use building that would have retail on the ground level and residential above. Glueck also suggested that a site tour would be beneficial for the Commissioners to understand the condition.

There was general discussion about the demolition standards. Andrzejewski explained that the presence of substandard framing may be an early method of construction that relates to a specific culture/demographic of early Madison and that this should be reviewed and possibly documented.

Rummel explained that a three story volume on the small corner lot seems like it will be overwhelming, but that without drawings, it is difficult to visualize how it will work in the context.

ACTION:

The Landmarks Commission received an informational presentation and did not provide an action.