City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION	PRESENTED: 9/18/17	
TITLE: 1407-1409 Williamson St Exterior Alteration; Third Lake Hist. Dist.; 6th Ald. Dist.	REFERRED:	
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AUTHOR: Amy Scanlon, Secretary	ADOPTED:	POF:
DATED: 9/25/17	ID NUMBER: 48806	

Members present were: Stuart Levitan, Chair; Anna V. Andrzejewski, Vice Chair; David WJ McLean, Richard Arnesen, Marsha A. Rummel, and Katie Kaliszewski. Excused was Lon Hill.

SUMMARY:

Ryan Zerwer, registering in support and available to answer questions.

Staff referenced the proposed condition that the windows be replaced with similar materials and asked that the Commission discuss the proposal of vinyl windows.

The Applicant would like the most resilient, long-lasting material available. He is not yet prepared to offer an alternative, but is open to the conversation of finding one.

Levitan asked whether the City Attorney's office advises that a window replacement is an exterior alteration. Staff confirmed that it does.

There was general discussion regarding the existing window material and which windows are under the Landmarks Commission's purview. This led to a discussion of the ordinance language's intent.

Rummel indicated that she is never in support of vinyl, and would prefer the Applicant research other options. Arnesen commented that he would prefer fiberglass to vinyl if wood is not an option. The Applicant responded that, if money were no object, he would replace them with the best possible material.

There was additional conversation regarding the ambiguity of the ordinance's language.

ACTION:

A motion was made by Arnesen and seconded by Rummel to approve the request for the Certificate of Appropriateness with the stipulation that the Applicant work with Staff regarding the final material selection. The motion passed on a voice vote.