

AGENDA # 1

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION

PRESENTED: 5/20/19

TITLE: 121 Langdon St - Demolition by Neglect
of a Designated Madison Landmark
in the Mansion Hill Hist. Dist. (Suhr
House); 2nd Ald. Dist.

REFERRED:

REREFERRED:

REPORTED BACK:

AUTHOR: Heather Bailey, Preservation Planner

ADOPTED:

POF:

DATED: 5/21/19

ID NUMBER: 53000

Members present were: Stuart Levitan, Anna Andrzejewski, Richard Arnesen, and Katie Kaliszewski. Excused were Arvina Martin and David McLean.

SUMMARY:

Bailey explained that the property owner was unable to be at the meeting, but she wanted to move forward with discussing the project. She provided background information on the previous referrals of the item because the conditions of the Certificate of Appropriateness have not been met, nor has the project timeline submitted in December 2018. She said that the property owner also has an agreement with the Municipal Court that all items on the Building Inspection work orders must be completed by August 15, 2019.

She said that staff will approve the work on the front porch because the construction documents and specifications are detailed enough to proceed. She has reviewed the contractor's scope of work, which now aligns with the construction documents, so there is some work that can take place. She said that she is still waiting for other items to address the conditions of the Certificate of Appropriateness, and recommends they refer the item to a meeting one month away in order to give the property owner more time to secure additional construction documents and scopes of work that align with those documents.

Andrzejewski pointed out that the property owner is running up against a hard deadline. Levitan asked what will happen if it proves unfeasible to meet the August 15 deadline. Bailey said that the property owner would have substantial fines to pay and a new deadline would then be set. She explained that at that time, the Landmarks Commission could make a determination that Demolition by Neglect is occurring and the item would proceed to Common Council.

ACTION:

A motion was made by Andrzejewski, seconded by Arnesen, to refer the item to the June 24, 2019 Landmarks Commission meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.