

September 16, 2020

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Department of Planning & Community & Economic Development
215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Madison, WI 53701

RE: 5707 MINERAL POINT ROAD DEMOLITION APPLICATION: Parcel ID#070930201028 University Research Park – Charmany Farm House and Two (2) Storage Buildings University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine Addition Project (#18H2H)

Dear Tim.

The University is currently in design of the new School of Veterinary Medicine Addition project on the UW-Madison campus. As part of this project, funding was approved to remove the house (4,428GSF) along with two adjacent storage structures (5,598GSF total) at 5707 Mineral Point Road in the University Research Park. The included information comprises our Land Use Application request. The house is searchable on the Wisconsin Historical Society Architecture and History Inventory (AHI). Discussions with Tyler Howe, the WHS Compliance Section Manager, has confirmed that the house holds "non-eligible" status and therefore require no additional review prior to demolition.

UW-Madison has had inquiries into selling the house over the years, but nothing has materialized. The structure has been vacant for over twenty years and is considered structurally unsafe. There is no reuse potential or known materials of merit to selvage. Also, please find existing photos of the exterior of the house. Interior access has been restricted for years due to structural concerns from penetrations in the roof and exterior that have caused deterioration. Significant water damage and rodent infestation are also visible from exterior observation.

The site demolitions will protect the existing mature vegetation and restore the area with topsoil and lawn seed. All foundations and footings will be removed. Future development of the site will follow the master plan of the University Research Park.

We have met with the City of Madison zoning and planning staff on March 9, 2020 and understand the house at 5707 will require Plan Commission approval. The accessory structures do not require their approval. We also have the support from the University Research Park and Alder Furman (AD#19).

The following schedule is provided for your information.

Notify City Demo Listserv: August 16, 2020
Submit Demolition Application: September 16, 2020
Plan Commission Meeting: November 9, 2020
Bidding Demolition Work: Winter 2020
Demolition Spring 2021

Feel free to contact me with any comments or questions.

Thank you,

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