

Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 9/1/2020 Ald. Milele Coggs District: 6 Staff reviewer: Tim Askin PTS #115001 CCF #200529

Brewers Hill HD **Property** 1911 N. 2ND ST.

Owner/Applicant CAROL STORM SURVIVOR'S TR

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Proposal

- 1. Replace side entrance new French doors and with larger side porch
- 2. Remove rear exterior staircase and restore jump porch
- 3. Add rear egress window from basement
- 4. Fencing and landscaping
- 5. Add windows on north and west elevations
- 6. Add skylights to rear of north roof slope

Staff comments

This vernacular Queen Anne House dates to 1890. The present side entrance was built in 1990 in the location of a former window. The design approved at the time was more elaborate than what was built under the prior owner, but that becomes irrelevant if the new porch is approved and built.

After much negotiation with the architect and applicant, the final version of the project is thoughtfully and carefully designed. Alterations are generally acceptable, and the skylights are an a sufficiently hidden location. Staff would prefer not having French doors on a visible side elevation but leaves that decision to the Commission.

Recommendation

Recommend HPC Approval with conditions

Conditions

- 1. New windows to be all wood inside and out. No aluminum, vinyl, or other cladding is permitted.
- 2. New door to be wood or wood veneer
- 3. Supply window and specifications from manufacturer including cut sheets and section drawings. New windows shall match present window profiles and details to the maximum extent possible
- 4. Window well structure for egress window shall be non-corrugated metal or masonry (plain concrete is acceptable). Corrugated metal, wood, or fiberglass will not be permitted.
- 5. All finish wood must be smooth and free of knots and must be painted or treated with an opaque stain upon completion. Note: when new, bare wood is left exposed to the exterior elements for a period of only a week or two, the life the of the paint job subsequently applied to it will be decreased. The use of a naturally decay-resistant wood species for exterior finish applications is required for porch areas. Using western white pine or Ponderosa pine is "at your own risk" because this wood has no natural decay resistance and can deteriorate in some exterior settings in just a few years.
- Landscape plan and fencing require additional details, particularly the plan for hardscape in the front portion of the side yard. Planting plans and fence design can be handled by staff.

Previous HPC action

Present side entry approved in 1990.

Previous Council action