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From: Patty Pritchard Thompson [<mailto:pattypt@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2018 11:11 AM
To: Historic Preservation Commission
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Dear Historical Preservation Commission:

I'm a local Bay View resident who has spent many hours in the White House. I've always enjoyed it's historical atmosphere, and it's old school fixtures and details.

What I haven't enjoyed is the poor restroom facilities that are part of the addition that was put on years ago to replace the aging bathrooms that were there.

From what I understand, if the building is designated as historic, the bathroom addition that is not part of the original building can't be altered. Is that true? If so, it would be a shame to limit the owners ability to improve and modernize that space. It desperately needs attention and expansion.

Perhaps you would consider excluding the bathroom addition from the historical designation so the new owners can be given some flexibility to improve it to address the needs of their customers.

It's also a shame that no one at HPC brought the building up for Historical designation BEFORE the vinyl siding was put on last summer. In comparison, fixing much needed bathrooms pales to the poor execution of putting vinyl siding on a historic building. The last owners event had "Historic White House" as the tavern's name!

Sincerely,

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