



Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date	4/14/2025	CCF # 241704
Ald. Pratt	Staff reviewer: Tim Askin	
Property	4370 N 25 th Street	Garden Homes HD
Owner/Applicant	Nakia Monk	

Proposal

1. Install vinyl siding.
2. Remove chimney

Staff comments

Relevant guidelines and ordinance language.

- *Existing substitute siding that was applied before the local historic district was created, may remain. If there is a request to replace it in the future, staff will work on helping the owner with installing the appropriate new stucco siding. If small areas of existing substitute siding are damaged, they may be replaced with new, matching substitute siding. In the event all the substitute siding is removed, the guidelines would be to install new stucco siding to generally match the original finish.*
- *g-1. Whether the proposed work would destroy or adversely affect any exterior architectural feature of the improvement upon which the work is to be done or adversely affect the external appearance of other improvements on the site or within the district.*
- *Living with History: In a city historic district it is forbidden to cover or replace stucco with substitute siding made of vinyl, metal or any other material.*

Staff finds that vinyl siding would adversely affect the character of the district and the existing stucco and trim on the building. Vinyl siding cannot be approved. Chimneys are usually character-defining features. While the chimney is plain, it is part of the history and character of the house. It can be sealed off to prevent water intrusion without being removed.

Recommendation

Deny.