



Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 12/9/2019
Ald. Russell Stamper II District: 15
Staff reviewer: Tim Askin
PTS #114886 CCF #191227

Property 2570 N. SHERMAN BL.

Owner/Applicant ANDRE L ROBINSON
CHRISTINE M ROBINSON
2570 N SHERMAN BL
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Christine Robinson
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Proposal Demolish existing two-car detached garage at the rear of the property. The garage is not functional and in a state of disrepair.

Staff comments The existing garage is of wood construction and sited at the rear of the property along the alley. Partial sightlines to it exist from the sidewalk along Clarke Street.

The guidelines for demolition in the Sherman Boulevard Historic District advise against the demolition of existing structures. However, the guidelines consider the condition, importance, location, potential for restoration, whether it is an addition, and replacement of an existing structure when reviewing demolition requests.

The existing garage is in poor structural condition and has limited public visibility. The garage does not display distinct architectural or historical significance and is ordinary for its era. A 1927 fire insurance map indicates that the garage post-dates the house, but constructed by 1949, therefore constituting an "addition" in terms of demolition criteria. In light of these data, the approval criteria for demolition appear to be met.

Recommendation Recommend HPC Approval

Conditions Obtain demolition permit

Previous HPC action

Previous Council action