



## Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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**HPC meeting date: 11/10/2014**  
**Ald. Nik Kovac District: 3**  
**Staff reviewer: Paul Jakubovich**  
**PTS #98869**

<b>Property</b>	<b>2621 N. SUMMIT AV. North Point North Historic District</b>	
<b>Owner/Applicant</b>	THOMAS K SCHIFFMACHER FRANCES L FINDLEY 2621 N SUMMIT AV MILWAUKEE WI 53211	GSI General 2426 N. 1 <sup>st</sup> St. Milwaukee, WI
<b>Proposal</b>	Construct rear, shed-roofed addition and porch to accommodate interior kitchen remodeling.	
<b>Staff comments</b>	<p>The house is a fine Colonial Revival style frame building and most likely looks much the way it did when it was built. The applicants propose a small, shed-roofed rear addition to create a little extra space on the interior for a kitchen remodel along with a small porch deck.</p> <p>Located at the rear of the building, the addition will minimal, if any, view from the street. Nevertheless the addition should be compatible with house. Finish wood will be clear, smooth and free of knots. Windows and doors will be made of wood both inside and out. No substitute materials will be used for exterior finish. The addition in terms of its massing, scale and materials is fine, but staff suggests a few minor tweaks that will make the finishing more consistent with construction practices that were extant at the time the house was built.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Remove the intermediate porch post on the south elevation of the new porch deck.</li><li>2. The overhang over the rear door should have a boxed soffit and frieze supported by a post.</li><li>3. Use the porch post supporting the roof structure as a newel instead of adding a separate newel so close to it.</li></ol> <p>HPC staff can sketch out the suggested change for the soffit.</p>	
<b>Recommendation</b>	Recommend HPC Approval	
<b>Conditions</b>	As noted above with suggested changes.	
<b>Previous HPC action</b>		
<b>Previous Council action</b>		