



Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 5/9/2022
Ald. Milele Coggs District: 6
Staff reviewer: Tim Askin
PTS #115256 CCF #211975

Property	124 W. VINE ST.	
Owner/Applicant	Teresa Strodthoff 124 W Vine Street	Teresa Strodthoff 124 W Vine Street
Proposal	The prior owner severely deviated from what was approved in a 2014 COA. The stairs and whole entry are very different from what was proposed. Doors and windows are not as proposed and steps encircle the porch rather than being a simple one-direction approach.	
Staff comments	<p>Portions of the approved design were theoretical and based on best guesses of the original design. The door, windows, and roofing are equally appropriate as what was in the approved 2014 drawings. They should be approved. The heart of the problem lies with the wraparound staircase. This is not a historically appropriate design. Stairs that flair to the sides are not necessarily impossible historically, but the wraparound stairs do not fit with the historical era. The proposed cresting was not installed but does not seem necessary.</p> <p>Staff would recommend reducing the stairs to match the width of the porch frontage or the width of the concrete path. Code does not appear to require any railings. Simple skirting can be used on the west side to hide the area under the deck. Reusing materials is encouraged.</p>	
Recommendation	Recommend HPC Approval with conditions	
Conditions	Approve as completed, except for stairs. Reduce the size to match the width of the porch only or to smaller. Reusing materials is encouraged.	
Previous HPC action		
Previous Council action		