



Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 8/3/2020

Ald. Nik Kovac District: 3

Staff reviewer: Tim Askin

PTS #114974 CCF #200435

Property	3131 E. NEWBERRY BL. Lawn Bowling Clubhouse	Lake Park in North Point North
Owner/Applicant	MILWAUKEE COUNTY PARK DEPARTMENT 9480 WATERTOWN PLANK RD WAUWATOSA WI 53226	Milwaukee Lake Park Lawn Bowling Association
Proposal	Add a front porch to the Lawn Bowling Clubhouse by extending the current roof structure and adding fiberglass columns. This will replace the existing fabric awning. The roof will be extended southward with composition shingles that match the present roofing.	
Staff comments	<p>The Lawn Bowling Clubhouse is a relatively modern structure in the park dating to 1962.</p> <p>The design is an excellent effort at matching the aesthetics of the park and the nearby pavilion. Staff has only two concerns. The columns are proposed as fiberglass and may be too similar to what exists on the pavilion building. The pavilion has Scamozzi capitals (ionic with diagonally projecting volutes) and unfluted columns. The same is proposed for the clubhouse. Differentiation could be achieved with true Greek Ionic capitals or with Doric capitals. These would be sufficiently subtle indicators that the building is a different historical era and would avoid the "false sense of history" that we should in a carefully designed landscape such as Lake Park.</p> <p>Fiberglass material for the columns is another concern. Staff is unaware of prior approvals of fiberglass in such a highly visible location. Wood columns have been consistently required of homeowners in the city.</p>	
Recommendation	Recommend HPC Approval with conditions	
Conditions	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Use different column capitals. Do not copy Scamozzi capitals from pavilion2. Use wood, compo, or metal columns	
Previous HPC action		
Previous Council action		