



Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

Living with History

HPC meeting date: 12/14/2015
Ald. Robert Bauman District: 4
Staff reviewer: Dean Doerrfeld
PTS

Property	3310-3312 West McKinley Blvd. Cold Spring Park Historic District	
Owner/Applicant	2624 BUFFUM LLC 6700 W. FAIRVIEW AVE. MILWAUKEE, WI 53213 PHONE: (414) 313-0297	MPI Property Mgmt. LLC 6700 W. Fairview Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53213 Phone: (414) 313-0297
Proposal	This project involves the installation of two, raised-panel doors (six panels) in existing openings. Applicant proposes to paint door to match trim. The building is a duplex and the applicant desires installation of doors for each unit.	
Staff Comments	<p>The building was constructed ca. 1908 in a Colonial Revival style. The building is attributed to J.D. Steuerwald as builder. Constructed as, and still used as, a duplex, the building is a common form in the city and along W. McKinley Blvd. Dwellings in this area have similar features including detailed front porches, bay windows, decorative barge boards, and applied ornamentation above the gable-front windows.</p> <p>The Cold Spring Park Historic District was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1985, and locally designated in 1987.</p> <p>The applicant proposes to install two raised-panel, steel doors—one for each residential unit. One door has already been installed. After installation, the doors will be painted to match the existing trim. The owner reports that the doors have been kicked in several times, and wishes to enhance security for the tenants. The extant door in this building appears to be a ¾ lite, wood frame door with matching storm.</p> <p>Although the Commission has approved the installation of steel security doors in the past, these actions were limited to alley-front or rear-facing entries. Typically, installation of this type of door in the façade of a building has been disapproved. Recommendations proposed by the Commission have included a wood frame door with tempered glass and a security storm of similar design.</p>	
Recommendation	Installation of steel, raised-panel, security doors in façade of building: Disapprove	
Conditions		
Previous HPC action		
Previous Council action		