

Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 11/15/2016 Ald. Robert Bauman District: 4 Staff reviewer: Carlen Hatala

PTS #114163

Property 3112 W. KILBOURN AV. Concordia Historic District

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Proposal

This house was constructed in 1891 and by the 1930s, if not earlier, was occupied by clergy associated with Concordia College.

The current proposal is to remove the original slate roof and replace it with Certain Teed Landmark Pro asphalt shingles. The proposal is to also add two Velux

skylights.

Staff comments

The owners have been careful stewards of their house over the years and have replaced selected slates as well as have done repairs to their roof over time.

Currently, the roof has developed numerous leaks and evaluations by slate roof specialists have determined that the slate has reached the end of its lifespan.

The specific location for the skylights has not been identified. They may be approved only if they are installed where not visible to the public. Several requests for skylights in the Concordia Historic District have been denied in recent years

because of their visibility.

To be consistent with prior staff reports and commission decisions, staff cannot

recommend the replacement of the historic slate roof.

Recommendation Recommend HPC Denial for the roof replacement and condition the approval of any

skylights on their not being visible to the public.

Conditions Should the commission approve the replacement of the slate roof, there should be

conditions on preserving the copper gutters and preserving the slate cladding on the

dormer side walls and gable ends.

Any new asphalt shingles should feature minimal shadow lines.

Previous HPC action

Previous Council action