



## Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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**HPC meeting date: 11/6/2017**  
**Ald. Ashanti Hamilton District: 1**  
**Staff reviewer: Tim Askin**  
**PTS #114404 CCF #170985**

**Property** 4484 N. 26TH ST. Garden Homes Historic District

**Owner/Applicant** JUDY E SEYMORE Mrs. Judy E Seymore  
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**Proposal** Demolish one-car garage at west end of property, facing Ruby Avenue.

**Staff comments** This garage is part of the Garden Homes Historic District. No garages are original to the district. While the city treats all buildings the same, it is notable that all garages and outbuildings were treated as non-contributing in the National Register Historic District.

It was constructed in 1925 in the early years of the district. It is a very simple design that is appropriate to the property, but because it is not original to the district, it does not add meaningful historic character to the property

The garage has fallen into a severe state of disrepair and may be structurally sound. The slab is cracked the garage leans to one side. Windows are boarded up and there are holes in the siding and roof. Staff believes that the garage is beyond reasonable repair and therefore recommends demolition.

**Recommendation** Recommend HPC Approval

**Conditions**

**Previous HPC action**

**Previous Council action**