



Certificate of Appropriateness

Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission/841 N Broadway/Milwaukee, WI 53202/phone 414-286-5712

Property	2543 N. 47th Street	47th Street Bungalow Historic District
Description of work	Reconstruct chimney to prior condition including height and corbelling at top. Flue caps are optional and design is at owner's discretion.	
Date issued	11/21/2025	

Under the provisions of Section 320-21 (11) and (12) of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, the Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission has granted a certificate of appropriateness for the work listed above. The work was found to be consistent with preservation guidelines. The following conditions apply to this certificate of appropriateness: N/A

New mortar must match the original mortar in terms of color, texture, grain size, joint width, and joint finish/profile. The compressive strength of the repointing mortar shall be equal or less than the compressive strength of the original mortar and surrounding brick or stone. The replacement mortar shall contain approximately the same ingredient proportions of the original mortar. Mortar that is too hard is subject to premature failure and could damage the masonry. See the city's books *As Good As New* or *Good for Business*, Masonry Chapters, for more information. In most cases, this means a lime mortar with natural hydraulic cement rather than Portland cement. No joint of a width less than 3/8" may be cleaned of damaged/decomposed mortar with power disc grinders. No over-cutting of the joints is permitted. Remove decomposed mortar back into the wall 2.5 times the height of the joint before repointing. When installing new flashing at a masonry feature, the flashing must be stepped or cut into the mortar joints. The bricks may not be cut to install flashing at an angle.

If using all new brick, modern portland cement mortar may be used at the mason's discretion, but it still must match the house's original mortar.

All work must be done in a craftsman-like manner. Staff must approve any changes or additions to this certificate before work begins. Work that is not completed in accordance with this certificate may be subject to correction orders or citations. If you require technical assistance, please contact Historic Preservation staff as follows: Phone: (414) 286-5712 E-mail: hpc@milwaukee.gov.

Permits and timeline

You are responsible for determining if permits are required and obtaining them prior to commencing work. Consult the Development Center on the web or by telephone for details www.milwaukee.gov/lms (414) 286-8210. If permits are not required, work must be completed within one year of the date this certificate was issued. If permits are required, permits must be obtained within one year of the date this certificate was issued.

City of Milwaukee Preservation Staff



May 2025 view of chimney.