

Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

LIVING WITH HISTORY

HPC meeting date: 12/5/2022 Ald. Brostoff District: 3 Staff reviewer: Tim Askin PTS #115351 CCF #221086

Property	2669 N. TERRACE AV.	
Owner/Applicant	Kate Biebel 2669 N TERRACE AV MILWAUKEE WI 53211	Kate Biebel
Proposal	Replace service door into attached garage with new fiberglass door. There is currently only a screen door in this location.	
Staff comments	Staff was able to approve the overhead door separate from this side door. Agreement could not be reached in a timely manner for the side door due to materials and design. A 6-panel door was originally proposed. Our book <i>Living With History</i> explicitly prohibits these on most houses, stating that they are only compatible with Colonial Revival designs.	
	The applicants would very much like to have a fiberglass door from the same manufacturer for a consistent and matching paneling and molding profiles. This is reasonable, if not ideal due to the limited options. Given the location, staff is reluctantly willing to support the applicant's second choice door with a half light. It is more compatible than the 6-panel design, but still not wholly compatible with the Tudor style of the house.	
Recommendation	Recommend HPC Approval	
Conditions		

Previous HPC action

Previous Council action

North Point North Guidelines

c. Wood and Doors

(i) Retain original material, whenever possible. Avoid removing architectural features such as clapboards, shingles, cornices, brackets, half-timbering, window architraves and doorway pediments. These are in most cases an essential part of a building's character and appearance that should be retained.

(ii) Repair or replace deteriorated material with new material that duplicates the appearance of the old as closely as possible. Avoid covering architectural features with new materials that are inappropriate or were unavailable when the building was constructed such as artificial stone, brick veneer, asbestos or asphalt shingles, vinyl or aluminum siding.