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Consideration of the appeal of the HPC denial for retroactive approval of major landscape changes to 2112 N. Lake Drive in the North Point South Historic District for Rebecca Osborn and Matthew Hetzel.

- This matter was reported to the HP staff as work in progress. No COA had been applied for or issued. The entire front yard was affected.
- The new landscaping follows the form of the earlier landscaping but with some changes.
- The walkway from the front porch to the driveway was removed and the raised landscape bed was extended back to the house and used manufactured stone and has been explicitly prohibited by our guidelines since 1997.
- The curved planting beds alongside the sidewalk steps were removed.
- The front yard was to be re-graded.
- A railroad tie border along the south side of the side yard was replaced with manufactured stone.
- A brick patio was replaced with manufactured stone and a cooking station was built with manufactured stone.
- It has been the policy of the HPC to deny any artificial or manufactured stone products for plating beds, driveways, patios, etc.



PRESERVING

Preserving the integrity of your historic property

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

As a property owner in a historic district, you may be eligible for valuable financial assistance to help you maintain your property.

State Rehabilitation Income Tax Credit program (20-25% of project costs) for State or National Register Properties through the Wisconsin Historical Society at wisconsinhistory.org/taxcredits

Rehabilitation grants and loans for incomequalified owners are available through the Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation (NIDC). For more information, contact the NIDC Information Hotline, 414-286-5608 or The applicants have owned this property since March 18, 2017

Brochures Mailed out to Property Owners in Historic Districts on / about January 7, 2021 and in spring 2022

The brochure outlined the requirements for obtaining a Certificate of Appropriateness and included landscaping.



1987 Survey Photo



2015 Google Photo



2019 Google Photo





DNS Photos taken 5-31-2022

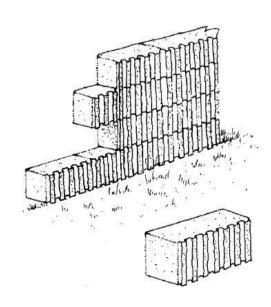


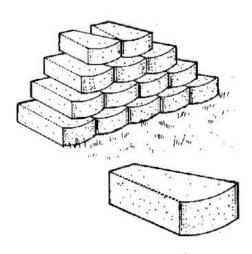
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Terraced Front Lawns

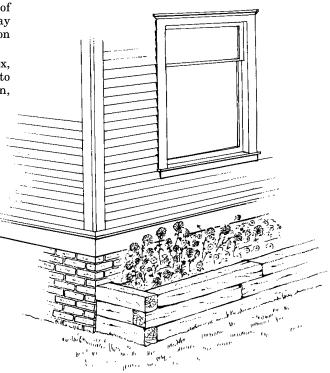
 ${f B}$ wilding terraces in place of a sloping front lawn is not permitted in a city historic district. A terraced lawn, in addition to looking out-of character with an older house, has the added drawbacks of being expensive to construct and laborintensive to maintain. It may also interrupt the rhythm of bermed lawns on a block and detract from the unity of the entire streetscape.



Planter Boxes

Do not build a planter box against the foundation of an older house. Not only does this type of planter look out of place with the architecture of an older house, but it may cause moisture and water damage to the adjacent foundation walls.

Another drawback is that a wooden foundation planter box, even if it is made of pressure-treated lumber, is subject to decay which can attract carpenter ants that will, in turn, invade the house.



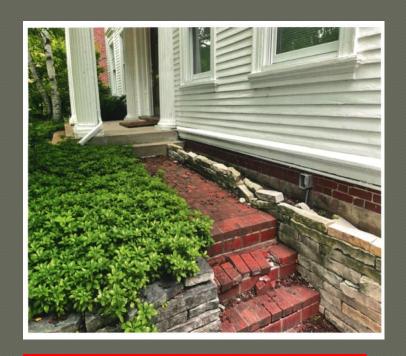


Before brick patio



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After manufactured stone and cooking station



Before crumbling steps and sandstone



After manufactured stone; steps removed





Landscape Plan

Predominantly used Majestic Tumbled Summit manufactured stone. Some use of bluestone.



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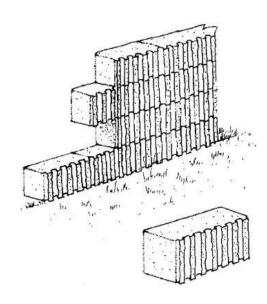
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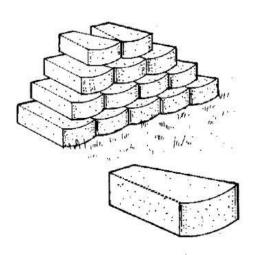
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