

Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 5/7/2018 Ald. Nik Kovac District: 3 Staff reviewer: Tim Askin PTS #114499 CCF #180024

Property 3316 N. LAKE DR.

Owner/Applicant CHRISTOPHER WALTER

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Proposal Replace existing vinyl third floor window with matching new vinyl window from S

Climate Solutions or Marvin.

Staff comments This condominium unit is in the main house building of the Joseph Uihlein estate,

now known as the Uihlein Townhomes and part of the North Lake Drive Estates

Historic District.

The subject window is on the lake-facing east elevation on the third floor. The vinyl window was present at the time of the current owner's purchase in May 2017. It is one of a pair of matching windows in dormer and the second window is under different ownership because of the condominium arrangement. Applicant and other property owners in the condominium complex have indicated that the owner of the adjacent unit is unlikely to cooperate in replacing his window simultaneously. Applicant therefore requests that the he be able to match the two existing windows to

keep the existing appearance and not have an unmatched pair of windows.

Based on long standing Commission practice, staff cannot support this proposal. While the difference in ownership between the two windows in unfortunate, the precedent of requiring historically appropriate replacements whenever replacement

occurs is strong.

Recommendation Recommend HPC Denial

Conditions

Previous HPC action

Previous Council action