

## Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

LIVING WITH HISTORY

HPC meeting date: 3/4/2018

Ald. Russell Stamper II District: 15

Staff reviewer: Tim Askin PTS #114681 CCF #181571

Property 2879 N. GRANT BL.

Owner/ApplicantValerie DuncanOVER THE TOP ROOFING

2879 N. GRANT BL. N59 W14464 BOBOLINK AVE

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**Proposal** Re-roof with Certainteed Matterhorn Tile metal roofing. It is meant to resemble

Mediterranean terra cotta tile roofs.

Staff comments Living with History indicates that a proposal such as this should be denied. "Do not

use half-round or Spanish style tiles in place of flat shingle or slate roofing." (p. 18). This is not to say that a metal roof is could never be approved for this particular

house, but that a flat profile of such tiles would be necessary.

While there are examples of this style of roof on other home in the Grant and Sherman Historic Districts, this kind of roof is not generally appropriate to a Craftsman style house. Without specific historical evidence of such a roof on this particular house, the Spanish tile cannot be approved within the guidelines.

Grant Boulevard Guideline 1.b.

Retain the original roofing materials, wherever possible. Avoid using new roofing

materials that are inappropriate to the style and period of the building and

neighborhood.

**Recommendation** Recommend HPC Denial

**Conditions** 

**Previous HPC action** 

**Previous Council action**