

Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 11/1/2021 Ald. Robert Bauman District: 4 Staff reviewer: Tim Askin PTS #115208 CCF #210930

Property 600 E. WELLS ST. ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL COMPLEX HD

Owner/Applicant ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL BERGHAMMER CORPORATION

831 N VAN BUREN ST 4750 N 132ND ST MILWAUKEE WI 53202 BUTLER, WI 53007

Proposal Replace entry stairs and ramp on the Rectory building at 600 E. Wells.

Staff comments The current stairs, ramp, and entrance on Wells appear to have been added while

the designation of the property was pending with the city for over a year. The entry

and stairs constitute a modern alteration that have not acquired their own

significance.

The new stairs reduce the amount of masonry and use an open picket railing. This

creates better sightlines to the historic buildings and is expected reduce

maintenance issues. The proposed replacement will function better and will be equal

or better compatibility to the historic character of the rectory. The footprint is

substantially similar to existing.

Recommendation Recommend HPC Approval

Conditions

Previous HPC action

Previous Council action