

12/21/2023

**NOTICE OF DENIAL**

Eric Jones  
4138 Lincoln  
Detroit, MI

**RE: Application Number HDC2023-00145; 4138 Lincoln; Woodbridge Farm Historic District**  
**Project Scope: REPLACE WINDOWS**

Dear Applicant,

At the Regular Meeting that was held on 12/13/2023, the Detroit Historic District Commission (“DHDC”) reviewed the above-referenced application. Pursuant to Section 5(1) and 9(1) of the Michigan Local Historic District Act, as amended, being MCL 399.205 (1), MCL 399.209 (9) and Sections 21-2-78 and 21-2-80 of the 2019 Detroit City Code; the DHDC hereby issues a Denial for the following work, effective on 12/20/2023, as it will be inappropriate according to the Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation and the district’s Elements of Design:

- The replacement of the wood windows at the building’s front façade with new Marvin Ultimate wood windows

The reasons for the denial are the following:

- The original wood windows at the north/side wall were distinctive, character-defining features of the home and were in repairable condition in 2021. As no documentation exists to demonstrate that these windows were deteriorated beyond repair at the time of their removal, an exact replication of these units is the appropriate treatment.

Therefore, the work does not meet the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation, specifically, Standards #:

2. *The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.*
5. *Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property shall be preserved.*
6. *Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.*

The application may be resubmitted for the Historic District Commission's review when suggested changes have been made that address the cited reasons for denial, if applicable.

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Please be advised that, in accordance with MCL 399. 211 and Section 21-2-81 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, an applicant aggrieved by a decision of the DHDC may file an appeal with the State Historic Preservation Review Board. Within sixty (60) days of your receipt of this notice, an appeal may be filed with:

Jon Stuckey, Michigan Department of Attorney General  
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525 West Ottawa Street  
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If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please contact staff at 313-224-1762 or [hdc@detroitmi.gov](mailto:hdc@detroitmi.gov).

For the Commission:



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Detroit Historic District Commission