August 20, 2024

NOTICE OF DENIAL

Cari Keiswetter 134 Arden Park Blvd. Detroit, MI 48202

RE: Application HDC2024-00364; 134 Arden Park, Arden Park-East Boston Historic District Project Scope: Install concrete pavement in front yard

Dear Applicant,

At the regular meeting that was held on August 14, 2024, the Detroit Historic District Commission ("DHDC") reviewed the above-referenced application. Pursuant to Section 5(1) and 9(1) of the Michigan Local Historic Districts 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 August 20, 2024, as it will be inappropriate according to the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and the district's Elements of Design:

Enlarge driveway per the submitted site plan and other application materials.

The reasons for the denial are a failure to meet the following specific Standards or Elements:

- 1. A property shall be used for its historic purpose or be placed in a new use that requires minimal change to the defining characteristics of the building and its site and environment.
- 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.
- The proposed work diminishes a character-defining open lawn space by adding an incompatible expanded paved surface.

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.

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:

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If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please contact staff at 313-224-1762 or hdc@detroitmi.gov.

For the Commission:

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