



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
2 WOODWARD AVE SUITE 808, DETROIT, MI 48226

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Application Number: HDC2025-00407

Effective Date: 7/16/25

Project Address: 691 W CANFIELD

Issued to: Rosanne & Doug Pattison
691 W CANFIELD
DETROIT, MI 48201

Historic District: West Canfield

Description of Work:

To remedy items that were denied, proposal includes: rear porch removal and proposed porch/deck replacement, replace vinyl windows with wood windows, replace opening at rear (currently covered with fishscale siding/ transom) with wood window and brick infill, addition of window wells and obscuring same from view, infill wall opening with brick, addition of rear doors, and new metal railings.

With the Conditions that:

- The applicant will supply staff with a final dimensioned sketch of the front basement windows with the finished mullion in place prior to the issuance of the project's permit.
- The material of the window wells and the door at the rear façade, basement level shall be compatible with the building's historic character, as determined by staff.
- Anywhere bricks will be used to infill, the bricks need to be a good match for the building both in color but also in hardness/strength, the bricks need to be exterior-grade for use outdoors, and the mortar used must be lime-based, soft mortar.
- The new rear deck and porch will either be painted or stained; no unpainted pressure-treated wood will be visible above ground. Also, applicant shall propose a new skirting design for the new rear porch which is more compatible with historic building, and the railing for the new deck shall be wood, rather than the proposed aluminum. The final railing design shall be submitted to staff for review and approval.

Pursuant to Section 5(10) of the Michigan Local Historic District Act, as amended, being MCL 399.205 (10) and Sections 21-2-57 and 21-2-73 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, and Detroit Historic District Commission ("DHDC") delegation of administrative authority via Resolutions 97-01, 97-02, 98-01, 20-03, 21-04, and/or 21-07, as applicable, the staff of the DHDC has reviewed the above referenced application and hereby issues a Certificate of Appropriateness ("COA") for the description of work, effective date above, as it meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and the district's Elements of Design

For the Commission:

Garrick Landsberg
Director of Staff, Historic District Commission

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Post this COA at the subject property until work is complete. It is important to note that approval by the DHDC does not waive the applicant's responsibility to comply with any other applicable ordinances or statutes.