

Audra Dye

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Sent: Monday, May 1, 2023 9:53 AM
To: Audra Dye
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: 4071 Leslie - Questions re: HDC Application
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Audra,

Here is a couple photos of one window where it shuts on one corner and the other corner is out 1/4 of an inch.

On Sat, Apr 29, 2023, 15:10 Franklin Gregory Quider <f.gregory.quider@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Audra,

With each window company we have contacted, we went for first an estimate, and each company has declined to estimate since they determined it would be more cost effective to replace. I can definitely supplement with photos, however some things may not document so well. I have asked Ben in the past about asking about contractors and it was referenced that soliciting contractors would be on the onus of the resident. At this point, the resounding theme appears to be we need to replace the windows from the contractors who are willing to come. Many contractors have resided not to participate in the historical districts because of the process. Their words, not mine. I can submit a list of these contractors upon request.

Some windows, I replaced the cranks and the problem is internal hardware has failed meaning the window would need to come out before anything else to be repaired. The windows where this has occurred, the companies said they would not guarantee the windows could go back in since these windows are 90 years old. Window 14 is not even a window, that is plastic sheeting with a few remaining metal pieces with almost no glass.

The next problem with the windows that do open, they do not close 100%. The gap is 1/4 to 1/2 inch and also unable to latch because of this gap. We suspect these windows are bent in such a way from prior break-ins. In addition to a security risk, the utilities are charging us 3-400 dollars a month. The HVAC people, DTE, and window contractors who have come to the house have all said we have to replace the windows to reduce the energy costs. We would get energy credits and rebates to help modernize the windows to be energy efficient and save money. Does the Historical society have anything to help with these escalating costs?

Regarding the grilles, the contractor described in between the glass in addition to the outside. He was unsure which would be approved and was hoping for direction from the historical society. Ben in the past referred to the aesthetic needs to be the same, however the contractor has in the past also been instructed to have it in per other cities historical society. What would be the direction required by the historical society?

I hope this helps and I will try to add some extra photos capturing some of these details.
Thank you,
Frank

On Fri, Apr 28, 2023 at 9:38 AM Audra Dye <dyea@detroitmi.gov> wrote: