## **Audra Dye**

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Deck Permit #2023-0180 for 308 Eliot

## Hi Audra,

As I think you know, my contractor Frank Snell submitted for a permit to build the deck off the rear of 308 Eliot. He tells me that you have some questions around scope changes since the original HDC approvals.

Here is what I think was originally approved.

Electric service line anchors right at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor deck. Do we need to shorten the deck by say 2ft to get us 3ft of clearance?

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Deck railing would be supported with thin metallic spindles, not steel cable guard.

As has been the case for everything in this house, the plans never go as planned. LOL I'm hoping I can clear this up with you and you can then tell me the next steps to take.

1. We couldn't place the AC Condenser in the location shown above (near the SE corner) as the line sets couldn't snake through the house to that location. We ended up putting these units as the SW corner of the house. Then to keep the condensers from show in the driveway, we moved them to the right in this picture a bit. This then encroached on the left-hand side of the deck. So instead of the deck width ending at the corner of the house it is now moving over 2-3 feet.

- 2. This decreased deck width then made us want to make the deck a bit deeper, so we went from 10ft to 14ft deep. In the interest of a cost-efficient structure, and to minimize unsightly columns, we made the second story the same size as the first, and then cut the third level back to only 10 feet deep.
- 3. I think we could reduce the second level to 12ft deep and the third level to only 8ft deep, without changing the basic structure, if you think that looks better.
  - 4. The deck will be built with Trex Transcends using a black signature railing system.
- 5. The rest of the colors are as follows: (basically a Rope Swing Deck with Spiced Rum Border and Upper Fascia)

Decking - Rope Swing with a Spice Rum Border Upper Fascia- Spice Rum Lower Fascia- Rope Swing Rail Posts- Rope Swing Post Skirts & Caps- Rope Swing

So, do you want me to present this to the HDC for reapproval?

Thanks, Tom