From: Subject Studio
To: Audra Dye

Cc: Lindsay Spencer; Blake Yard; David Spencer; Lily Spencer

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Historic District Commission Application - Staff Report for 8022 Kercheval - June 14, 2023

Meeting

Date:Monday, June 19, 2023 2:48:49 PMAttachments:Brick Sample - Belden.pdf
Untitled attachment 00028.htm

Hi Audra,

Thank you again for helping us with 8022 Kercheval. As requested at our hearing last week, we're obtaining more info regarding the existing windows and proposed replacement brick this week.

We reached out to our brick representative at Belden Brick, and he presented us with two bricks options that most closely match the original. He also explained how the color variation of both the proposed bricks is a result of the firing process within 100-year-old kilns in Ohio that would have been the same process the original bricks underwent. The existing bricks are "standard size" (2-1/4" x 8" x 3-5/8"). Both brick options are available in any amounts in "modular size" (2-1/4" x 7-5/8" x 3-5/8"); but standard size is not used very much nowadays, and would be considered a special order with a minimum quantity requirement. Since we would only need 1-2 pallets (500-1000 bricks) for this project, we would have to piggy-back off someone else's larger order to get the bricks in standard size (if/when available), which could pose complications with the project schedule. See attached for his exact response.

We have both brick samples currently at the building. Please let us know when we could meet you or any other staff member at the site so you can see the samples as requested. We'd like to get a sample approved so that we can be prepared to order the infill brick at a standard size if/when it becomes available. Just to reiterate, while we may be able to salvage and reuse some existing brick, portions of the veneer will need to be replaced with new bricks. We know it's as important to HDC as it is to us to get matching bricks for this project, so we're hoping we can get the sample approved ASAP to give us the best chance of making that happen.

In regards to the conversation about the possibility of repairing or replacing the windows, we are meeting with two window restoration companies this week to obtain their assessment, and will forward to staff for review once we hear back.

Thank you,

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