

From: [Nat Zorach](#)
To: [Historic District Commission \(Staff\)](#)
Cc: [Audra Dye](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Approval for new windows
Date: Monday, August 26, 2024 9:57:55 AM

Sorry, I haven't been able to get photos of all of the windows but I'm going to try and get some more today. These are a couple of exterior shots that show some combination of severe damage or just having been painted over and painted shut. As mentioned before, they are caulked and painted shut from the inside as well.

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On Thu, Aug 22, 2024 at 3:09 PM Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr. Zorach,

Just checking in to see if you are able to provide some additional photographs of the windows you are looking to replace. We have tentatively docketed your case to be heard at the September

11th HDC meeting, but we will need to know what windows are being replaced and some information about their condition. We would need this information (photos) by this coming Monday to keep the case on the docket. If you are able to provide them, Audra Dye, cc'd above, will be handling your application. Please send any information you have on the existing windows to Ms. Dye when you get the chance.

Thanks in advance,

Ben

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Michael E. Duggan, Mayor

From: Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Sent: Monday, August 19, 2024 9:53 AM

To: Nat Zorach <nathaniel.zorach@gmail.com>; Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Approval for new windows

Hi Nat,

Thanks for submitting the photograph and window schedule. We have tentatively docked the case to be heard at the upcoming September HDC meeting. We will need photographs of the windows that are to be removed. If you can provide any detail photographs illustrating deterioration, that would of course be helpful. The photographs can be sent to this email address.

Thanks in advance,

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Michael E. Duggan, Mayor

From: Nat Zorach <nathaniel.zorach@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2024 5:06 PM

To: Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Approval for new windows

Received and filled out! Thanks.

I do not have any photos right now since I'm not home but I uploaded one that shows three of the windows, and then one of the forms said attachments were optional but wouldn't let me submit without attaching something.

N.

On Wed, Aug 14, 2024 at 4:46 PM Historic District Commission (Staff)

<hdc@detroitmi.gov> wrote:

Hi Nat,

I just resent the email. Please let me know if you don't receive it.

Thanks,

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From: Nat Zorach <nathaniel.zorach@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2024 4:22 PM

To: Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Approval for new windows

Sorry, I think this process has broken my brain a little bit and I had misinterpreted this as that we would be able to get approval for this month's hearing, so that's my bad. I don't see any e-mail asking me for uploading documents or photographs. Is it possible that you could re-send that?

N.

On Tue, Jul 2, 2024 at 1:19 PM Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Nat,

It depends a bit on the conditions. HDC staff (such as myself) generally do not have the authority to approve the removal of original materials, and these cases usually have to be heard at a monthly Commission meeting (even if the work is appropriate). The deadline for the July meeting has passed, so the earliest we could get the application heard would be the August 14th meeting.

I did see you were able to begin an application. You should have received a second email with a link that will allow you to upload documents/drawings/photographs etc., and sign off on the application. We would request a window schedule and photographs of the windows to be replaced in order to understand their condition. Once we receive the completed application we will be able to confirm if this will need to be heard at a monthly meeting or is staff approvable.

I was able to find the previous approval in our hard files. It is attached to this email in case you need it.

Thanks in advance, and please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions in the meantime.

Best,

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From: Nat Zorach <nathaniel.zorach@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2024 12:29 PM

To: Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Approval for new windows

Ben, do you have any estimates on how long these things usually take to get turned around?

Thanks,

Nat

On Mon, Jul 1, 2024 at 1:56 PM Nat Zorach <nathaniel.zorach@gmail.com> wrote:

Yeah, I just did it from my computer instead of my phone and it seemed to go through, it's just that smart sheets is a perpetual nightmare in my experience.

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On Mon, Jul 1, 2024 at 1:56 PM Historic District Commission (Staff)
<hdc@detroitmi.gov> wrote:

Hi Mr. Zorach,

I am not sure what the issue would be there – it seems to be opening on my laptop. Below is a link to the HDC website landing page. If you scroll down there is an “apply here” button that should also open the Smart Sheet application. Please let me know if you have any issues.

<https://detroitmi.gov/departments/planning-and-development-department/historic-district-commission-information>

Thanks,

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From: Nat Zorach <nathaniel.zorach@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 1, 2024 1:46 PM

To: Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Approval for new windows

I tried to click on the link to submit the form using the Smart sheet but it won't actually go through. Any ideas?

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On Mon, Jul 1, 2024 at 1:23 PM Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for reaching out. If the specific existing windows scheduled for the next round of replacements have already been approved, you do not need to submit a new application. If the windows proposed for replacement were not specifically included in the previous application, then we would ask you to submit a new proposal using the link below.

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/4c62529b4e404f8ebf181593909187ef>

It does not appear the previous approved application has been digitized yet, but I should be able to find it in our paper records later in the week.

Thanks in advance, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

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From: Nat Zorach <nathaniel.zorach@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 1, 2024 12:30 PM
To: Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Approval for new windows

Hi HDC,

We got approval to replace a number of windows in our (fire damaged, water damaged) house a few years ago and are now finally ready for the next round of replacements-- I was wondering whether our original approval was sufficient or whether we need to go through a second round. The windows in question were replaced with solid wood aluminum clad and one restored what we identified as a historic light pattern (4x4 on the top sash).

We are at [372 W Grand Blvd, Detroit, MI 48216](#) and are in the historic district in Hubbard Farms.

Thanks!

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