

September 24, 2024

Audra,

This letter is in response to the three items we discussed yesterday regarding 1556 Bagley.



1) Installation of Board and Batten siding material on areas of the exterior - In the photo above the existing Board and Batten can be seen on the rear portion of the side of the house. (revealed after removal of Insulbrick) When this was revealed we decided to mimic this material. We learned that it was historical as Board and Batten style siding dates back to mid-late 1800s, so it felt appropriate. It also provided an aesthetically pleasing way to transition from the existing siding to new material. It gives interest and looks intentional when added to the upper area as well.

2) Corbel on front of house to the left of front door - This corbel did not survive exterior demolition. In your photo from August 2023 it was present, and by December 2023 your

photo shows it removed and replaced with a simple support bracket. In removal of the exterior Insulbrick material this compromised element was accidentally destroyed.

3) The exterior casings of several windows - most all of the window jams were severely rotted and unable to be retained. When we replaced with approved windows we then trimmed them out in a simple design. This was both cost effective, and also lends to the mix of modern construction elements married with original detail.

We have tried our very best to provide a superior finished product that adds to the neighborhood charm and nods to history. We protected the detail and superior quality of the renovation to the best of our ability. As designers and builders, over the last 27 months we have faced many challenges. We are extremely proud of the result and we hope you are pleased as well.

We hope these explanations can satisfy your concerns.

All the best,

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