

# 4545 architecture

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1676 Chicago Blvd.,  
Detroit, MI 48206

RE: 1676 Chicago Blvd. Historic District Commission Submission

A Staff Report for a Historic District Commission meeting on July 9, 2025 issued a denial of work completed involving replacement of the soffits and dentiling at 1676 Chicago Blvd., on the basis that the newly installed dentils did not match the original spacing. This document is to show the dentils have since been replaced and align more with the original in terms of size, number, spacing, and color. Among other items present in this application, we are requesting approval for the completed work of replacing the soffit/dentils. We believe the new soffit/dentil treatment is substantially different enough from the old to warrant inclusion in this application, despite the less than year gap between now and the previous application.



*June 2025 photo taken by staff*

Photo taken from July 2025 HDC Staff Report, showing previous condition of dentils  
13 dentils present (not including corners)



Current front elevation, photo taken January 2026 by 4545 Architecture



Designation photo, 1980, via HDC

Note that in both photos, 22 dentils are present (not including corners)