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# HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUEST

**Date:** 01/09/2026

**Application Number:** HDC2026-00003

## APPLICANT & PROPERTY INFORMATION

**NAME:** Glen Stern

**COMPANY NAME:** N/A

**ADDRESS:** 5118 Vincennes ct

**CITY:** Bloomfield Hills

**STATE:** MI

**ZIP:** 48302

**PROJECT ADDRESS:** 1731 Longfellow Street

**HISTORIC DISTRICT:** Boston-Edison

## REQUESTED INFORMATION

We have received your application, but it is not yet complete for review. Please provide additional details based on the comments and questions listed below. Should you need to attach additional files per this request, use the paperclip icons at the end of this form. You may attach up to (5) files per icon up to 25MB:

This application is not yet complete. Please provide the following:

- Photos of the three additional exterior elevations of the house (we need to see the whole sides, not close up photos, please)

Additionally, we recommend including the following items done without approval in your application:

- Installation of gutters and downspouts
- Installation of soffit/trim wrapping

This application will need to be reviewed by the Historic District Commission during one of its regularly scheduled public meetings. The next available meeting is scheduled for February 11th; for this case to be included on that agenda, we will need all outstanding info submitted by 5PM on Tuesday, January 20th.

## APPLICANT RESPONSE

Response Date: 01/19/2026



Additional elevation photos provided (back and sides).

Additionally, we would like to include for approval (per recommendation of the HDC staff) in the application the below items:

- Installation of gutters / downspouts
- Installation of soffit / trim wrapping

Description of previous condition:

Gutters and downspouts were already installed, however large segments of gutter were falling off, and several sections of downspout were missing. Gutters / downspouts were white aluminum. Gutters were not functioning properly. Water drips down fascia, or forms (potentially dangerous) large icicles in the winter

Trim wrapping and the roof structure it is nailed to were discovered in many places to be rotten, likely due to years of non functioning gutters. Trim wrapping was white. Soffit was white, but non-vented, causing ventilation issues in the attic. Condensation from this were explained as a potential cause for the existing trim wrapping issues, and as a likely cause for future moisture issues in the attic/roof.

Description of project / scope of work:

Contracted with a gutter installer (from the Boston Edison website) to repair / replace the failing gutters with exactly similar style / material gutters.

Gutters installers could not complete work due to rotten trim wrapping & underlying wood.

Contracted with a carpenter (recommended by the Boston Edison website) to repair trim / roof structure beneath. Contractor also noted that soffit needed replacement. Agreed to replace this simultaneously, with vented soffit in exactly the same style and color (white) as the old soffit.

All repairs completed at great expense. We (the homeowner at the time) were under the impression that the contractors in both cases had completed the HDC application process.

Current Status / Proposal:

Photos of current status attached.

Gutters, soffit, and trim wrapping match the style and color previously installed on the house, and that of many many homes in the neighborhood. The gutters / downspouts now function, directing water and ice away from the house / roof, preventing damage, and preserving the home. Proposal to keep them as-is.







































