## HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness September 6, 2023 HR-2023-097928 Hyde Park Historic District 4014 Avenue G

#### PROPOSAL

Replace windows and doors.

## **PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS**

- 1) Replace all existing 6:6 and 8:8 screened windows with aluminum-clad 2:2 windows.
- 2) Replace existing patio and front doors with new doors to match replacement windows.

## ARCHITECTURE

One-story Minimal Traditional house with horizontal wood siding, a cross-gabled roof with shallow eaves, and a partial-width, shed-roofed porch.

## **DESIGN STANDARDS**

The Hyde Park Design Standards are used to evaluate projects within the historic district. The following standards apply to the proposed project:

## 1. General Standards

1.2: Retention of Historic Style

Respect the historic style of existing structures and retain their historic features, including character-defining elements and building scale.

The proposed project changes the style of the existing windows, a character-defining feature of the house.

#### 1.3: Avoidance of False Historicism

Respect each contributing structure as an example of the architecture of its time. Do not make alterations that have no historic basis, such as the addition of gingerbread trim to a 1920s bungalow.

The proposed 2:2 window pattern is not associated with the Minimal Traditional style of the house.

#### 1.4: Appropriate Treatment Options for Contributing or Potentially Contributing Structures

1. Preserve the historic fabric: Repair deteriorated historic features and architectural elements.

2. Reconstruct missing or un-repairable architectural features with the following: a) Recycled historic materials that approximate the size and match the scale, profile, and appearance of the deteriorated or missing feature, if available. b) New material that that approximates the size and matches the scale, profile, and appearance of the historic material. Reconstruct or rebuild missing architectural features using photographic or physical indications as a guide.

The proposed project replaces, rather than repairs, existing windows. The new windows appear to match in size but do not have a similar lite configuration.

# 3. Residential Standards: Single Family and Contributing Multifamily - Preservation and Restoration <u>3.1: Front of Houses</u>

Retain the historic facade of a house in terms of door and window placement and exterior wall materials. Repair damaged or deteriorated exterior wall materials where reasonably possible. If replacement of exterior wall materials is necessary, choose a material identical in size, profile, and appearance as the historic material. See 1.4.

## 3.2: Doors and Doorways

1. Do not enlarge, alter, or relocate single doorways on the façade of the house.

2. Retain and repair an original entry door. In cases where replacement of an original entry door is required, or where the house does not have the original door, choose a replacement door that is compatible in terms of design and appearance with the historic character of the house.

3. Retain the glazing (window or glass) in its original configuration on doors that contain glass.

The proposed new door matches the location and style of the existing front door.

## 3.3: Windows

1. Repair or rehabilitate the original windows and screens.

2. The energy efficiency of original windows can be improved by using methods that do not damage historic sashes, glass, or frames, such as weatherstripping, insulating weight pockets, adding insulated glass and the necessary additional balancing weights, or adding a clear interior film, or a combination of these methods.

3. Do not use tinted glass or tinted film on original windows.

4. If replacing windows, use windows that approximate the size and match the scale, profile, appearance, and configuration of existing historic windows.

The proposed remodel replaces existing windows and removes the screens. The proposed new windows are not tinted and the clad-wood profile appears to be similar to the existing wood. However, the lite configuration does not match the original windows, and is less appropriate to the style of the house than 6:6 and/or 8:8 windows.

#### <u>Summary</u>

The project meets some of the applicable standards.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the application with 6:6 and/or 8:8 replacement windows instead of the proposed 2:2 windows. Request that existing historic-age screens be stored on site if not used.

