

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON Historic District Commission Certificate of Appropriateness

Plans for:

15 S. Main St.

Owners:

Sarah and James Schneider

The Clarkston Historic District Commission grants a <u>Certificate of Appropriateness</u> June 14, 2016, for plans as presented to:

- Alter the previously approved patio material from flagstone to cedar or Trex, should the property owners choose
- Add a side door as presented on the Mill Street side of the building that will match the earlier
 proposed front doors in width and style, with or without a handicapped chair lift, and with a
 metal staircase, all per necessary building code approval and regulations, and that the opening in
 the brick be toothed-in
- To replace the lower level alley side windows on the south end of the west side of the building
 with aluminum accordion-style windows in architectural bronze or black where currently barred
 windows exist. The new windows will fit in the existing window opening.

Property owner James Schneider withdrew the request to coat or paint the currently unpainted brick on the building after the HDC advised against it.

This project adequately meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, particularly number five, that "Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved," and number 10, "New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired."

An HDC review is integrally based on the lack of precedence as each reviewed resource is unique in age, condition, relevence in defining characteristics and other considerations, and therefore the setting of precedent is impossible. Also, a CoA is not synonymous with a building permit, so applicants should maintain contact with the city building department, and possibly other city agencies if necessary, to confirm compliance of other ordinances and city laws.

The members of the Commission wish you well with your project. Please contact us if you make any additions or changes to your plans.

Cara Catallo

Clarkston Historic District Commission