

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
NOVEMBER 18, 2019
C14H-2006-0015
HERBLIN-SHOE HOUSE
712 W. 16TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Install a tempered glass railing behind the historic wood railing on the second floor balcony to allow the balcony to be used.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The applicant proposes to install a 36 – 37” railing consisting of tempered glass panels, to be installed approximately 3 inches behind the existing wood railings. The glass will extend approximately 10 inches above the existing wood railing. And will have stainless steel clips. There will be no top rail to the tempered glass.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation are used to evaluate projects on historic landmarks. The following standards apply to the proposed project:

- 1) *The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces, and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.*

Evaluation: The installation of the tempered glass panels will serve a safety purpose in the most inobtrusive way possible and will not compromise the historic character of the property.

- 9) *New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work will be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.*

Evaluation: The tempered glass provides a see-through solution to enable the use of the second-story balcony and will not impact the integrity of the building.

- 10) *New additions and adjacent or related construction will 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.*

Evaluation: The tempered glass panels will be easily removable in the future if required.

The project meets the applicable standards.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee supports the proposal.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve as proposed.