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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: 9120 Dwight - A few more questions on application  
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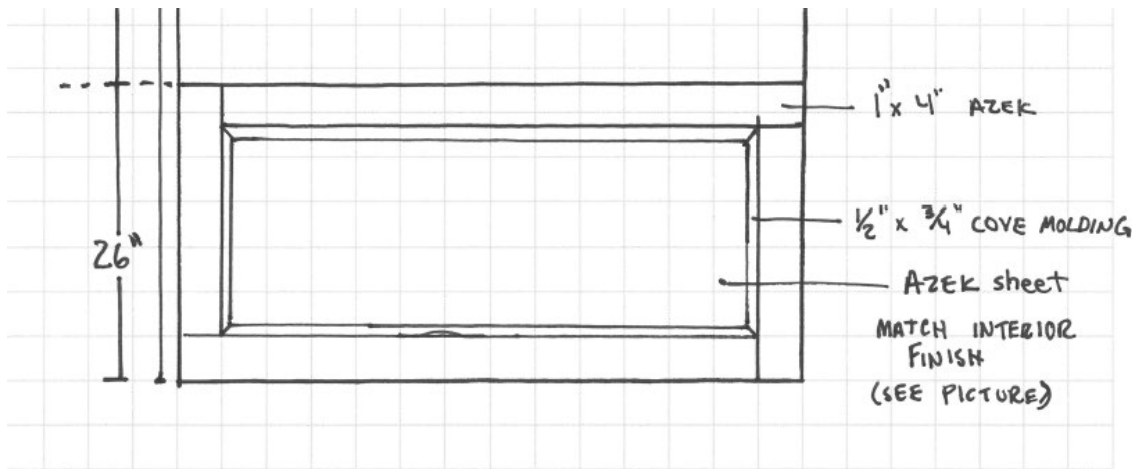
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Sorry a little out of order:

The interior trim we are not planning on touching, if we have to replace any we will match it all. The build up for the three larger windows we will drywall the interior, but they have a carpenter that's going to finish the interior. They are going to match the wood and stain finish on the interior of the house to match the room. They said they heard the house use to be a fraternity house for Wayne State when they bought it and everything was painted/beat up pretty badly and they restored all the painted wood back to a wood finish on the lower level and it looks amazing.

The exterior will have a sheet of Azek with 1x4 around the outside of that "rectangle" put on top of that sheet of Azek with a cove moulding inside that 1x4. It's what the interior walls look like in that main living room/dining room/parlor room with the wood trim below the chair rail.

The height of the build-up is to match the interior chair rail, so the interior heights will line up inside. That's where the 26" came from.



As far as the build in, a picture below with the chair rail.

It's currently a solid sheet of glass and it leaks badly. They had storm windows on the exterior installed years ago and that storm window is so big they had to do it in two pieces, so there is a horizontal line in the view and it's too big for them to remove and clean the windows.

There would be a cottage window installed on top of it. I don't think I can get a picture of what it would look like from the iPad app – I think the homeowner is out of the country, but I can try. Not sure I'll have it by your deadline meeting. We aren't changing the width of the opening or anything like that.



The 1941 "erection of a dormer" that is super interesting.

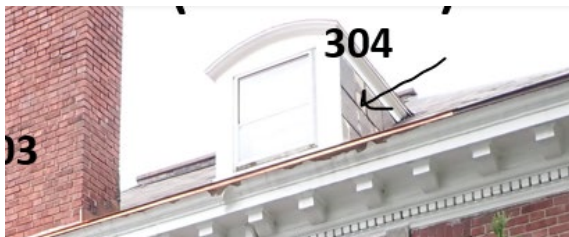
I'm going to say that everything on that 3<sup>rd</sup> level was possibly done at that time because that entire area is laid out awkwardly.

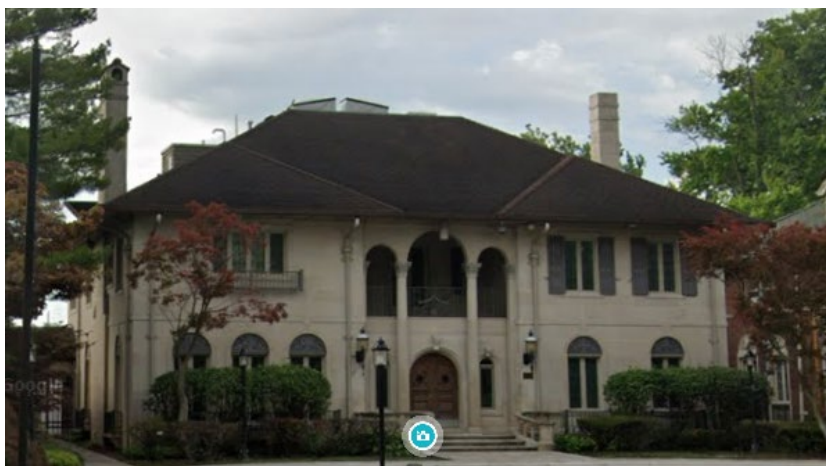
305 and 306 are in one of the two bedrooms upstairs (there were only 2 bedrooms, a bathroom, and 2 storage areas that I can remember). 307a/b was another bedroom and 308 a/b was the bathroom. They are all cased in OG casing and not the fluted that was used in the lower two levels.

The 301, 302, 303, 304 the area they are in is so narrow there is no trim installed, but most of these third levels that were built with the house are unfinished from the couple I've been in.

This area is super cool and none of the homes look anything alike. The closest roof that I found in the immediate area would be the Mannoogian mansion and they don't have any windows on the third level – is it possible this house had those front windows and side windows installed at the same time as the 2 bedrooms and bathroom?

301, 302, 303, and 304 are all located in storage areas and hard to get to. These rooms weren't "finished" except for some drywall – the exterior "siding" is similar to the other rooms.





Thanks,

**Brett Mahaffey**

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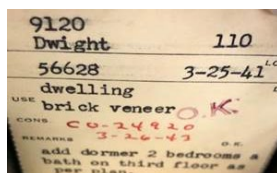
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Hi Brett,

I have a few more questions for you.

I found a permit from 1941 that was for the erection of a dormer, 2 bedrooms and a bath on the third floor. Based on the photos you submitted, I am assuming this may be the wider dormer facing the east (307 a&b, 308 a&b). Do you think that is correct?



Another question for you on the first-floor windows. Can you please send over a mock-up of the 103 and 104 windows with the cottage style windows in place above the new lower wall. I'm trying to understand how these openings will look in contrast to the dominant double-hung windows on the house. Please clarify "siding on exterior". Will the exterior walls have the same finished wood panel design as the interior walls, or is some kind of clapboard siding being planned for the exterior? And finally, the existing trim within the full opening will remain, correct?



Thanks!

--Audra

**Audra Dye**

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Good Afternoon!

I haven't been to a Detroit HDC meeting in quite a while – what are the chances I can be put at the end of the meeting agenda and I'll be able to discuss after 8pm? I know the meetings use to run pretty late before.

I have a Historic approval meeting on the same date with the City of Pontiac on Woodward at 6pm and hoping to be out of there by 7/7:30pm and it's about a 20 minute drive down Woodward.

If not – I might have to move our agenda to November's meeting.

Anyways – I attached a drawing.

1 – Did the property owner consider a French door rather than another sliding door?

- They wanted a sliding door to match what's existing.

2 – Which Fibrex line is being suggested?

- We only have the one fibrex option – all our windows are made of fibrex – this is far different than the Andersen 100 series windows that are a cheaper builder grade which we have never offered.

3 – For the first floor openings, why was a reverse cottage style selected, rather than double-hung?

- They wanted the 3:1 ratio because it would off-set the rail on the double hung window. The 1:1 ratio (normal double hung) would make the center rail of the double hung sashes to be almost the same as the height of the buildup. The height of the buildup has to be 26" because it's the height of the chair-rail on the interior finish.

4 – If constructing lower walls are approved for the large openings, is there someone on staff that can provide a sketch that more clearly illustrates the how the exterior surface would be detailed?

- I drew the sketch and attached it to this email. It would be like the wood paneling finish on the interior.

Sorry, I actually have COVID so I'm stuck at home working this week so I don't have the fancy work scanner, hopefully what I attached is clear enough.

**Thanks,**

**Brett Mahaffey**

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**From:** Audra Dye <[dyea@detroitmi.gov](mailto:dyea@detroitmi.gov)>  
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Hi Brett, I will be out of town Wednesday – Friday, so if you can please submit the information by Monday, October 2 at 10:00 am, it would be greatly appreciated. Thanks!

Regards,

Audra

**Audra Dye**

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Hi Brett,

I had a chance to review the submitted materials and I have a few questions:

- 1 – Did the property owner consider a French door rather than another sliding door?
- 2 – Which Fibrex line is being suggested?
- 3 – For the first floor openings, why was a reverse cottage style selected, rather than double-hung?
- 4 – If constructing lower walls are approved for the large openings, is there someone on staff that can provide a sketch that more clearly illustrates the how the exterior surface would be detailed?

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