



Project Overview

PROJECT	EDI - 2044 Edison
PROJECT ADDRESS	2044 Edison Street Detroit, MI 48208
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Project Narrative

The project is the renovation and extension of an existing backyard deck and second story roof porch for a colonial revival home at 2044 Edison Street in Boston Edison. The existing ground level deck is in poor condition and lacks proper foundations. The existing second story roof porch is damaged and leaking into the house below, while the balcony extension is improperly framed and not structurally sound.

The proposed ground floor deck follows the lines of the existing deck, but extends out to 10' from the face of the house to create more useable space and combines the two existing decks into a single structure with stairs down to the basement door at the center. New built-in planters serve as guardrails at the basement and along the west edge. The entire north and diagonal east faces of the deck step down into the yard to match the existing design. No railings are provided at these steps, as they are not required by code.

On the second story, the portion of the deck serving as a roof to the building below will be rebuilt as required to provide a safe and watertight structure. A pergola-style shade structure covers this portion of the upper roof deck adjacent to the house. The existing balcony is extended to the north and west to create additional useable space. A new cast aluminum railing frames the porch.

To provide maximum longevity of materials, the new decking and trim are proposed as composite wood materials. The decking will be a through-color mahogany finish, and the trim will be painted C:4 Yellowish White, per the Historic District Commission's color sheet. All trim sizes and details reference the existing Colonial Revival detailing.

The existing front door, main back entrance door, and second story balcony door are currently painted red. The project proposes to paint the remaining doors on the back façade - into the kitchen and the basement - red to match.