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To: Benjamin Buckley
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: 4370 Glendale HDC Project Review

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Hello

You might be the right person to assist in this endeavor. This property, according to some still alive in the area, said the house belong to a Tuskegee Airman. I am curious if you have any of those details or how I might be able to find this out. If it is, I would like to make some type of dedication with the house in his honor. It would be such an honor to do so and let his memorial live on!

I appreciate the email and will provide details to your following question:

Landscaping:

There were no changes to anything that existed in the footprint of the yards. We graded the areas put some top soil and then sod. There were added flowers and plants to both front and back of the yards.

Porch/walkways.

Many of the walkways had been damaged so it wall all pulled up and replaced with new concrete. The porch area was sinking and had cracks in the floor area which was causing a drainage issue. It was pulled out, repaired , and poured new concrete. The front steps were included into that project.

Since there were no railings on the original porch area of the front of the house, we added since it was in style with the neighborhood.

Siding

We painted over the original siding that existed. The area in back of house had a two story deck that was torn down for safety and security reasons. It was a hazard waiting to happen! There were also three doors that were closed up and later covered over with siding. The roof line was corrected and gutters added. There will be a replacement deck of 20x8 and have added Patio door for additional exit from the house. The patio doors will have a secured rolling type protection that operates from inside the house. I do know you are aware that it has been removed from the photos taken when one of your representatives was out to the property.

There were two break-ins and an attempt for a third so it was necessary to secure the house as safe as possible.

Roofing

The only repair to the roof was the small area from the back deck and the front door roof line which was rotted and leaking horrible inside of the house. They were architectural system replacements.

Windows

When I bought the house, some of the windows had been boarded up because there was no window or it was severely damaged or rotten wood. There were a couple of window on the second floor that had been replaced with a cheap vinyl type of window. Although Kelly Windows was my first option, until I discovered they are no longer in business, this was an extremely exhausting and complex process. When I finally found anyone that was installing windows, that wasn't 6-8 months out, it was almost a two month wait. The windows are energy efficient double paneled vinyl windows were manufactured by First Choice Windows Company.

The doors replaced since they were horrible, unsafe hollow doors which allowed the squatters to access into the house. The security screen doors are black and the doors replaced with heavy steel designed doors.

Windows bars:

The front window bars have been removed but the other side bars were installed back onto the house for security purposes.

I hope that better helps you

-----Original Message-----

From: Benjamin Buckley <benjamin.buckley@detroitmi.gov>
To: aak1010@aol.com <aak1010@aol.com>
Sent: Tue, Oct 25, 2022 7:08 am
Subject: 4370 Glendale HDC Project Review

Good morning Mr. King,

Thank you for submitting an application for project review by the Historic District Commission. The Historic District Commission has jurisdiction over exterior work, including landscape changes, at properties in historic districts. In order to get a better understanding of your project, please submit a full scope of work detailing all of the work completed at the exterior of the property. Any information you can give about replacement materials (siding, windows, railings, roofing, etc) will be helpful.

Thank you in advance.

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