City of Detroit

Planning & Development Department

2 Woodward Avenue, Room 808

Detroit, Michigan 48226

Dear Sirs,

The following sheets describe the restoration projects at my home at 2405 Burns Street in Indian Village. This is in response to a letter sent on March 24, 2023 describing "Replaced Windows" and "Installed Fence" sent by Daniel Rieden. The fence work is described within, and has been partially completed. There have not been any windows replaced since my ownership in 2019. I have, however, been restoring original windows, which is described within. There are also several restorations described which have also been completed

Let me know if you need more information.

Respectfully.

Paul Shuert

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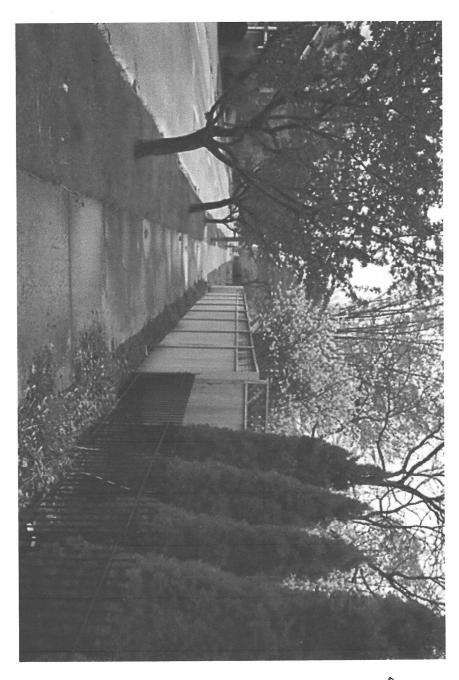
FENCES

The first 4 pictures (captioned Picture 1 through Picture 4) are of the backyard privacy fence. It has been completely removed and replaced exactly as it was with new cedar construction. The previous fence was falling down and rotting in many areas. The contractor was Kimberly Fence in Warren. They did exemplarily work and I would recommend even though they were not the lowest bid. This work was completed in January.

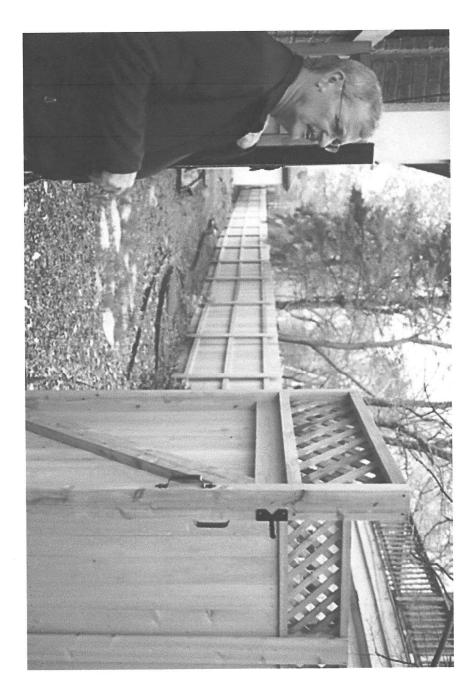
Pictures 5 through 8 are of the current iron fence on the front of the house. This is to be replaced as in Picture 7 and 8 which is an identical construction as originally put it. This work has not been started to date



Ficture 1: Backyard-fence facing Burns on Vernor Side of house.



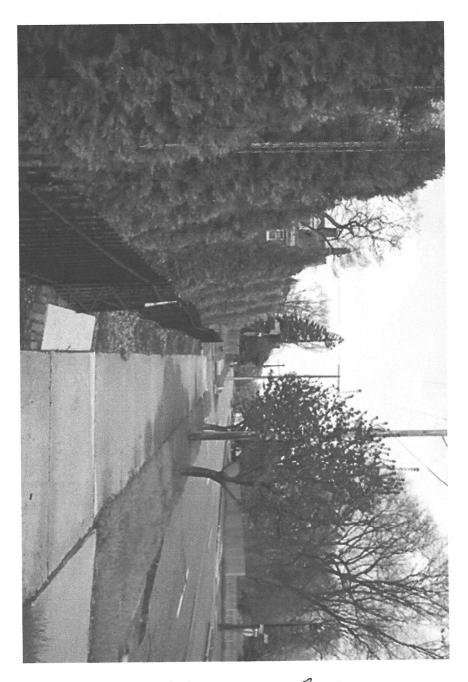
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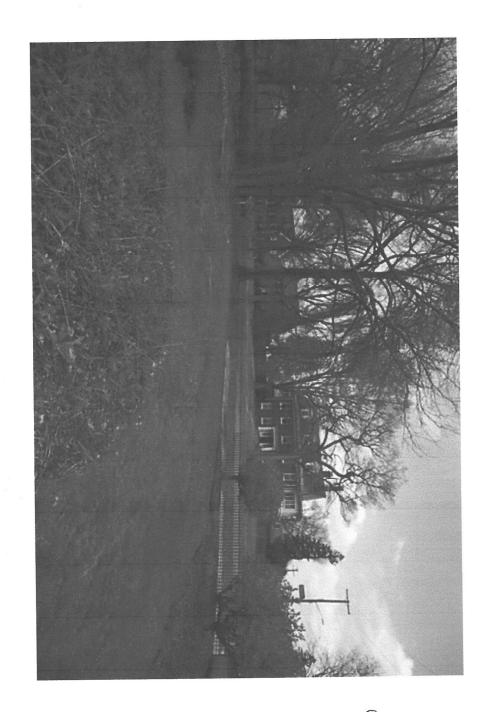
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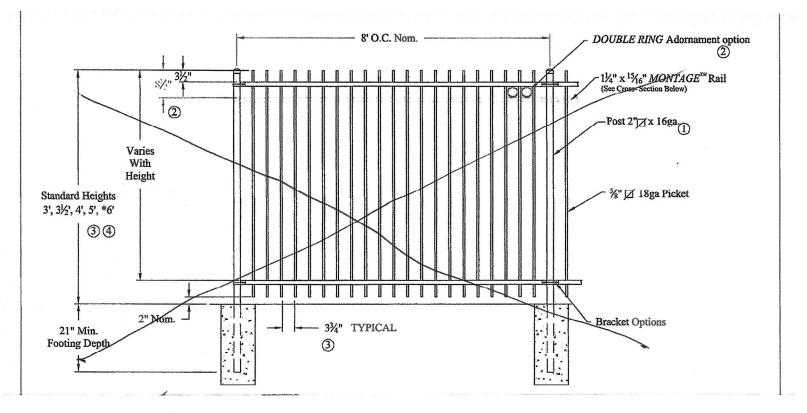
Picture 4: Same Section as Picture 3 of old fence

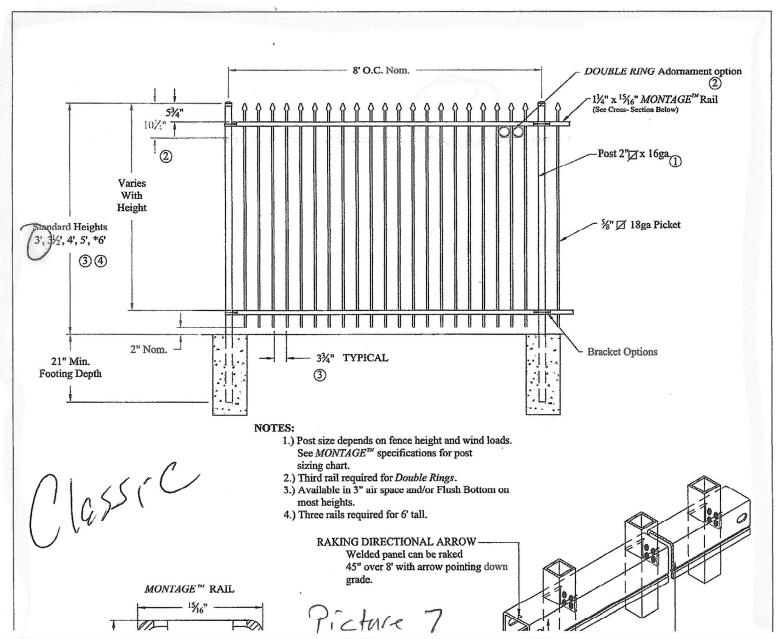


Picture 5 Vernor Side Ivon fence



Picture 6. Vernor Side Ivon Fence





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PROPOSAL/CONTRACT

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Customer Information:

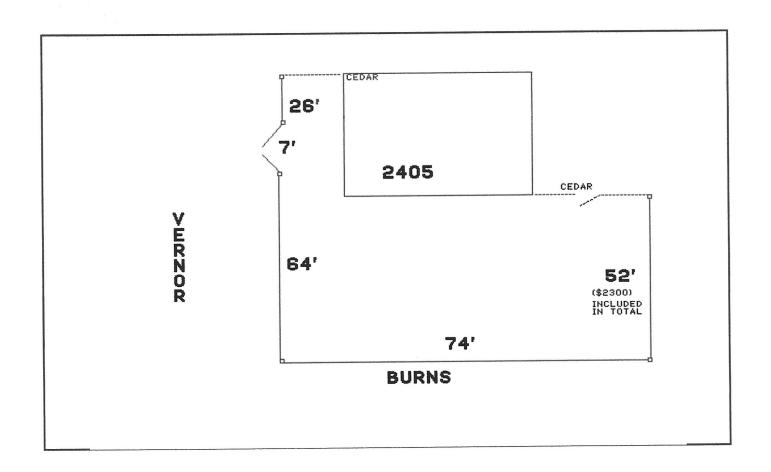
Job Site Information:

PAUL SHUERT C-248-765-8576 2405 BURNS ST DETROIT, MI 48214 E-PSHUERT@GMAIL.COM

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Job Description:

REMOVE EXISTING 3' TALL IRON AND HAUL AWAY, FURNISH AND INSTALL 3' TALL MONTAGE CLASSIC 2 RAIL (SPEARTOP) OR GENESIS 2-RAIL (SQUARE NO POINT PICKET)BLACK ORNAMENTAL STEEL FENCE - AND DOUBLE GATE, ADD \$250 TO HAVE US HAUL AWAY DIGGING SPOILS.



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| Contract Amount: | \$ 11154.01 | Customer | Date |
| Down Payment: | \$5500.00 | Accepted for KIMBERLY FENCE & | SUPPLY INC.: |
| Balance Upon Completion | : \$ 5654.01 | Salesperson | Date |

FRONT PORCH AND CHIMNEY BRICKWORK

The front steps were falling backwards causing water to flow towards the house. This was due to the foundations had deteriorated. I hired a restoration concrete and brick contractor (Grunwell-Cashero) to do this work. The limestone steps were temporarily removed and the foundations were rebuilt. The limestone steps were placed back on the new foundations. This portion is complete. (Pictures 9 through 12)

What remains of this project is to rebuild the walkway from the sidewalk on the Vernor side to the steps. As you can see in Picture 13, the brick sidewalk is approximately 3 inches too low to the porch step. Also, years of settling and other things has left the bricks uneven and thus a trip hazard. Plans are for a contractor to dig up and reinstall this feature evenly and at the level to meet the lower step. (Picture 13).

There are 3 chimneys on the house and all three have had previous work done on them. All three (see Picture 14) have been done with different, unmatched materials and is not consistent with the original brickwork. All three of these chimneys will be faux painted to match the surrounding brickwork so a to hide the inconsistency in the brickwork.



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Picture 10



Picture 11

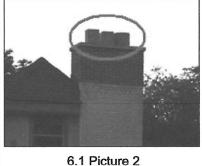


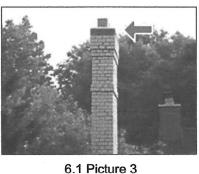
Picture 12



6.1 (1) We suggest installing a spark arrestor and rain cap on the chimneys. This helps prevent water and pest intrusion.



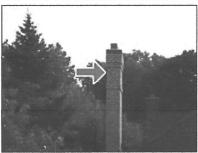




6.1 Picture 1

(2) The chimney at the rear left of the house has a slight lean to it, but it could have been this condition for an extended period of time. We did not see any issues at the time of inspection and recommend to monitor the area as needed.





6.1 Picture 4

6.1 Picture 5

(3) Due to the height of the chimney, slope of the property or steep roof, we could not observe the condition of the masonry or metal chimney cap. The cap performs the important function of keeping water out of the masonry or wood chimney structure, and must be kept maintained. - SUGGESTION: If there is any concern about the condition of the cap, the client is advised to have the condition evaluated by a qualified chimney sweep contractor.







6.1 Picture 6

6.1 Picture 7

6.1 Picture 8

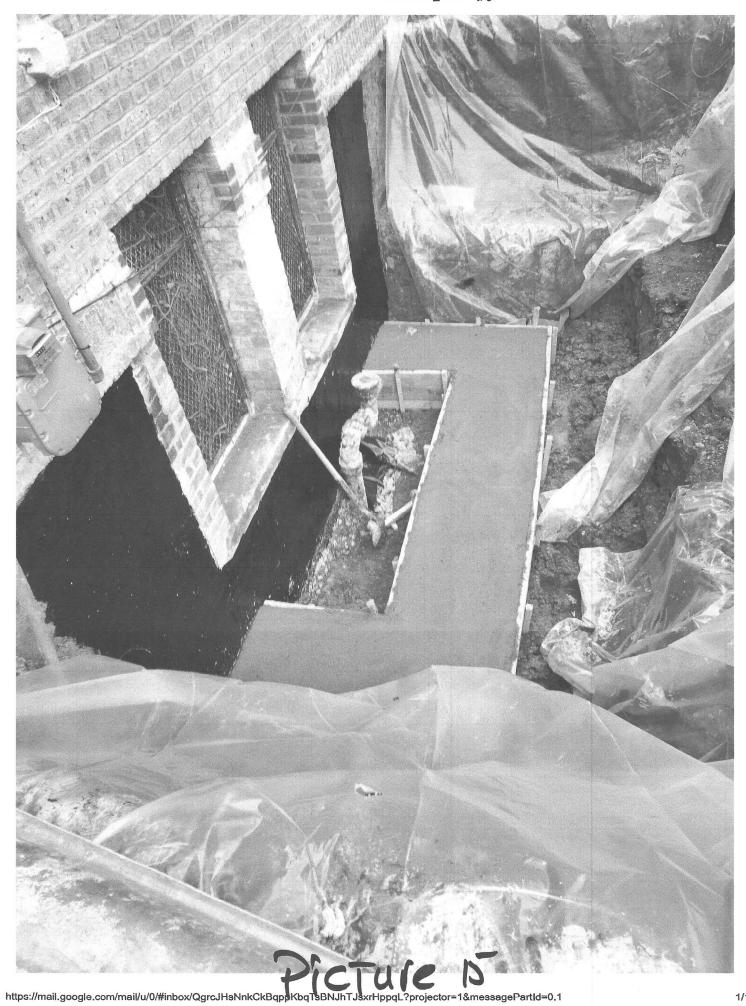
WINDOWS

A basement window well on the Burns elevation was dug out and restored to original function. The walls had crumbled and fallen, the windows had been caged over and boarded up, and bricks had been layed in to cover the openings. The original windows were remarkably still in tact including the glass. All of the brickwork was repaired in both the house walls and the window pit surrounding the windows (Picture 15). Both windows were removed and completely restored. They now function normally (picture 16).

Many windows in the house have been replaced previously from the original window. Unfortunately, the choice of replacement windows was poorly executed. There is no consistency in the choice of windows and the quality is substandard. Fortunately, many of the original windows were discovered in the garage and attic of the house. These windows will be restored and put back in their original openings.

The remaining windows on the Vernor and Burns elevations are being removed for restoration and reinstalled (Picture 17). I am using a certified window restoration contractor. Some of the windows are complete at this time. The remaining windows on these two elevations will be done this year.

The last page is the credentials of the window restoration specialist. She does exemplary work.









Greetings,

January 5, 2023

Re-Lite Restoration LLC specializes in wood window restoration in Southeast Michigan. The owner and lead craftsperson, Mary Bindas, holds a Master of Science in Historic Preservation from Eastern Michigan University. Re-Lite Restoration is EPA RRP certified and follows the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties. It is also a member of the Window Preservation Alliance.

Before opening Re-Lite Restoration in 2021, Mary was the Assistant Architectural Conservator for Building Arts & Conservation, BAC, in the Metro Detroit area. Her experience with BAC allowed her to work on various preservation projects, including the restoration of Art Deco chandelier lights for Heritage Tower in Battle Creek, MI, and the Detroit Athletic Club Natatorium.

Mary honed her window restoration skills on the Window Woman of New England crew and at the Western Center for Historic Preservation in Grand Teton National Park. She also worked as a crew leader for HistoriCorps, a nonprofit organization that leads volunteers and students to restore historic structures on public lands.

Re-Lite Restoration is respected for its attention to detail and respect for the historical integrity of original windows. The window restoration work includes conserving as much original material as possible while repairing damage to the window sash and storms, replacing broken or missing glass, and improving window function- depending on client needs.

Sincerely,

Mary Bindas