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City of Detroit  
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RE: Ragland Residence  
3777 Sturtevant  
Detroit, MI 48206

Additional Comments:

We are providing a few more pictures to illustrate our claims that the garage has settled and the poor state of the roof. One picture in particular shows clear separation between the brick and wood, which happens from settling. In the other pictures, it is evident that the shingles are in much need of replacement but could lead to other problems with the rafters and decking. We are unsure of the state of the structure because the interior of the garage has wood plank walls. All we can speak on is what we see externally, which leads us to the claims we have made about the garage settling and the roof.

In addition, we did look at other options regarding expanding the garage. If we expand the garage, replace the shingles, but keep the roof style and pitch the same, the garage will be taller than what the ordinance allows. This is also not taking into consideration the settling.

Also, we were told that bricks are missing from the back wall. As the pictures show, the back wall cannot be seen because of the foliage.

In conclusion, Mr. Ragland would like to build a larger garage for storage and to park his cars. We looked into other options, but found that the best option is to tear down the existing garage and build a new one under the guidelines of the Historic District Commission.

Thank you,  
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