

Since our last meeting with the Detroit Historic Commission, we have contacted multiple contractors and stayed in close contact with our Staff team member, Audra.

After having multiple contractors visit our home to assess the windows and estimate the effort to reinstall the original wood windows, we've secured estimates from Metro Detroit Window to support this application.

Summary of Application

- Install new wood windows (Lincoln windows) throughout the home and repair all encasements. **(\$73,200)**
- The front first floor windows, while originally were leaded glass – were not leaded since before we've owned the home. We're unsure who/when they were changed. As such, we've requested to replace those windows with non-leaded glass windows (included in the price estimate above)

Additional Considerations

Outside of the detailed application that has been submitted, we have one request and some additional details to share with the Commission for consideration:

- **(request)** We're requesting permission to retain the vinyl basement windows (basement only) – not visible from the sides or front of the home. This will help us save approximately \$7,000 and be very beneficial for our family as we secure funding to continue.
- We commit to retaining the original wood windows and all parts that are available. We will keep them in covered storage on our property (currently in the garage covered and accessible, but with some damage from the previous contractor).
- We're still recovering and working to move forward from the financial and emotional burden that our previous contractor left us with **(\$35,000 + ongoing attorney fees)** in addition to the additional effort for our new contractor to repair our windows.
- Time is a major factor in our decision to request installing all new wood windows at once. Currently the vinyl windows that are installed are not all sealed, resulting in inefficiencies and heat loss as well as bug and insect problems in our home. With winter approaching, we're trying to find a solution that will keep us compliant and warm this winter.
- The estimate we received to repair/restore the original wood windows exceeds **\$90,400** if done all at once, and will extend well into next year or beyond.
- If we were to phase the restoration out over time, we anticipated an additional **\$25,000** over time in addition to the burden of living with windows that are not sealed.

Thank you for your consideration

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