

Class 2 Minor Historic Design Review
Written Statement

510 Judson St SE

Proposed project for this property involves an alteration within the existing floor plan on the 2nd floor to add a new bathroom space and create a stairwell landing to provide access to the attic space on the 3rd floor. Please note that the side of the home being proposed for alteration is not viewable from the street.

As part of this project, the designers propose altering an existing 2nd floor window by reducing its overall size. The purpose for this proposed alteration is to accommodate a planned stairwell alteration for accessibility to the 3rd floor attic space. The window at its current size hinders that new stairwell space, leaving it in the way of the floor. In addition to altering an existing window on the 2nd floor, the designers of this project propose adding a new window on the 2nd floor as part of the new bathroom space.

The two windows will be spaced to match the regular, even spacing of the other two existing historic windows along the same interior elevation side. Adding the new bathroom window on the far end actually adds balance and symmetry to the overall character and appearance of the interior side, as it visually replicates a similarly sized window placement on the opposite end (please refer to the interior side elevation plan for visual).

We propose using wood framed glass windows for this project, duplicating to the greatest degree possible, the appearance and structural qualities of the house's original historic windows. The window openings will be framed out and the windows installed to match the top alignment of the existing 2nd floor windows on the same side. We propose to use wood trim for the new windows, explicitly matching the same kind of wood used on the existing historic window trims. We will use simple straight legs, topped with a three piece header to trim out the windows, matching proportions and sizes of the current window trims. The crown portion of the header will be sourced to match the surrounding historic windows. We will install flashing above the new windows in order to meet current building practices, but the flashing will not deter from the historic look.

In addition to carefully matching the new windows and trims to the historic character, proportions, and materials of the current windows, steps will be taken not to cut into the historic trim band located above the middle existing window during this alteration process. We

propose to take great care in preserving and maintaining this original historic trim band, by not removing or damaging it, during the process of replacing the existing window with a smaller sized window.