Certificate of Appropriateness for Removal from the List of Potential Historic Resources

2501 CURTIS AVENUE

July 6, 2022

PROJECT SITE

- Located at corner of Curtis Avenue and Phelan Lane
- Zoned R-2, Multi-Family Residential
- Lot is 100 feet in width, 100 feet in depth
- One parcel across two lots
- City survey Craftsman (B-rated) built around 1934





Front Elevation - Curtis Avenue

Google Images



Side Elevation – Phelan Lane







STAFF ASSESSMENT

Historic Inquiry Form – September 9th Site walk – September 23rd Staff Assessment – October 1st Found site to be eligible for local landmark designation While unusual, still a good example of Craftsman style Site utilized as a religious center Home to one of the few female engineers in RB

PRESERVATION ORDINANCE

- Code Section 10-4.104 Definition of potential historic resource
- Code Section 10-4.311 Allows owners to request removal from the historic resources list with "verifiable documentation"
- Code Section 10-4.404 Removal or demolition requires commission review, outlines criteria
- Code Section 10-4.404(c) Demolition requests shall not be considered without the proposed new construction
- Code Section 10-4.404(b) Commission may require a memorial at the site

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- Historic Resource Evaluation dated February 1, 2022
- Report found the site to be ineligible for designation on the local, state, or national registers
 - No important association with early development patterns of the area
 - Some Craftsman elements, but does not have key features
 - Substantially altered over time, including applied stonework
 - Site is not connected with people of local prominence

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

If approved for removal from the list, site can be demolished and redeveloped

The application notes the intent to sell the property to a local developer

Parcel is 10,000 SF in size

R-2 Zone (10-2.513) - Three dwelling units

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Review the supporting materials
- Take public testimony
- Make a determination regarding the Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 2501 Curtis Avenue
- Two draft Resolutions have been prepared for consideration