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# NOTICE OF APPEAL OF A JACKSONVILLE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

#### I. INSTRUCTIONS

As provided in §307.201, Ordinance Code, any person with standing may appeal a Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission final order on an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to the City Council. An appeal must be filed within 21 calendar days after the final order granting, granting with conditions, or denying a Certificate is signed by the Commission Chairman. To appeal a Commission final order on an application for a Certificate, complete and submit this form to the Legislative Services Division, Suite 430, City Hall-St. James, 117 W. Duval Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202 with the supporting documents (see Section III) and appropriate fees (see Section IV). A copy of the final order and the list of persons who testified before or wrote to the Commission about the Certificate (see Sec. III(1) and (4)) may be obtained from the Special Projects Branch of the Planning and Development Department, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Florida Theater Building, 128 E. Forsyth Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202.

II.	NOTICE OF APPEAL

	Ι,_	Tena Snow	, hereby file this Notice of Appeal from the final order of	
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	(a)	The person w	the filed the application for the Certificate of Appropriateness;	
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	(b)	A person wl	no owns, lives, or operates a business on property within 350 feet of the prope	erty
which h	as b	een granted or deni	ed the Certificate of Appropriateness;	

(c) A person, other than a member of the City Council, who provided a written statement or who testified before the Historic Preservation Commission and who is suffering or will suffer an adverse effect to an interest protected or furthered by Chapter 307, Ordinance Code. The statement must have been in writing, expressing a position on the merits of the application for the Certificate of Appropriateness, other than a petition, such as a letter, a memo or an e-mail, containing a reference to the specific application number and the name and mailing address of the person making the statement. The statement must have been specifically addressed to the City's Chief, Comprehensive Planning Division, or any member of the Historic Preservation Commission (with a copy to the Chief, Comprehensive Planning Division), and which was delivered to and received by the City's Planning and Development Department by hand delivery, mail, facsimile, or e-mail at least two working days before the public hearing at which the Commission took final action on the application for the Certificate, or which is read into the record at the public hearing, or distributed to the Commission at the hearing, with a copy to the Commission's staff.

#### III. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

To complete your Notice of Appeal, you must submit the following documents with this form:

- (1) A copy of the Final Order on the Certificate of Appropriateness you are appealing.
- (2) If you circled II(c) above, you must provide a statement of your interest sufficient to show how you are or will be *adversely* affected by the Commission's decision. Please provide this statement in the space below. If you need additional space, please attach a separate sheet.

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IV.	FILING AND NOTIFIC	CATION FEES
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v.	Contact Information	<b>)</b>
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	Name (Printed):	Tena Show CG Consulting and Design
	Address:	7999 Philips Huy Suite 309
		Jax, Fl. 32256
	Daytime Phone Number:	904-294-5194
	Evening Phone Number:	904-888-0339
	E-mail address:	tina@jaxsmarthome.com
VI.	CERTIFICATION	
	Please read, sign and date	e the following statement:
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	Julia W Signature	Date 10-30-23



# Planning and Development Department

Ed Ball Building 214 North Hogan Street, Suite 300 Jacksonville, FL 32202

#### **NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION**

RE:

Certified Final Order for COA-23-29677

DATE:

October 30, 2023

#### Please find attached:

• Certified final order for COA-23-29677, from the September 27, 2023 Historic Preservation Commission meeting

If there are any questions, please contact me at (904) 255-7800.

Arimus T. Wells, City Planner Supervisor

Community Planning Division, Historic Preservation Section

Planning and Development Department

# BEFORE THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE

#### CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATION NO.: COA-23-29677

IN RE: The Certificate of Appropriateness Application of:

Address:

1764 Greenwood Avenue, RE# 092666-0000

Owner:

**Mark Protheroe** 

1764 Greenwood Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32205

**Applicant:** 

**Tina Snow** 

CG Consulting and Design, Inc. 7999 Phillips Highway, Suite 309

Jacksonville, FL 32256

#### **ORDER ON COA-23-29677: DENIED**

Having duly considered both the testimonial and documentary evidence presented at the meeting and public hearing September 27, 2023, including the COA Application and the Planning and Development Department's Staff Report and Recommendation and all attachments thereto ("Staff Report"), a portion of which is attached hereto as EXHIBIT A, and on file in its entirety in the Planning and Development Department, the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission hereby

#### **FINDS AND DETERMINES:**

- 1. That the applicant did comply with the procedural and application requirements set forth in Section 307.106 of the Jacksonville Ordinance Code; and
- 2. That as stated in the record, substantial competent evidence demonstrates that application COA-23-29677 does not meet the standards and criteria set forth in Section 307.106 of the Jacksonville Ordinance Code; and
- 3. That the findings and recommendations in the Staff Report for application COA-23-29677, to the extent consistent with this Order, are hereby adopted and incorporated herein; and
- 4. That the land which is the subject of application COA-23-29677 is owned by Mark Protheroe.

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is **ORDERED** by the Historic Preservation Commission:

Application COA-23-29677 is hereby DENIED.

#### Executed this 11th day of October, 2023.

FORM APPROVED:

Carla A. Lopera

Office of General Counsel

Jack C. Demetree, III

Chairman

**Historic Preservation Commission** 

Copy to:

Owner: Mark Protheroe

1764 Greenwood Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32205

Applicant: Tina Snow

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NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL. Persons listed in Section 307.202, Ord. Code, may appeal this decision to the City Council within twenty-one (21) days of the date of this Order by filing a Notice of Appeal with the Legislative Services Division of the Council as required by section 307.203, Ord. Code. Failure to file a Notice with the Legislative Services Division within the time prescribed waives the right to appeal this Order.

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#### EXHIBIT A

#### **September 27, 2023**

## Report of the Jacksonville Planning and Development Department **Certificate of Appropriateness Application COA-23-29677**

Address:

1764 Greenwood Avenue, RE# 092666-0000

Location:

South side of Greenwood Avenue, between Saint John's Avenue and Oak Street

Owner:

Mark Protheroe

1764 Greenwood Avenue Jacksonville, Florida 32205

Applicant:

Tina Snow, CG Consulting and Design, Inc.

7999 Philips Highway, Suite 309 Jacksonville, Florida 32256

<u>Year Built:</u>

c. 1926 (Property Appraiser)

Designation: Riverside Avondale; Contributing

Request:

Window Replacement (After-the-fact)

#### Summary Scope of Work:

1. Wholesale Window Replacement

**Recommendation:** Deny

#### Corrective Actions:

- 1. The removal of vinyl windows shall be done with care to ensure the least amount of damage and shall be secured in a manner that does not damage the historic casing and trim.
- 2. Any trim that needs to be replaced as part of the work shall match the historic material and design.
- 3. All new windows shall fit the original openings both horizontally and vertically and be recessed within the opening (not flush with the wall).
- 4. All new windows shall be wood, wood-clad, or wood blend (no vinyl).
- 5. All new windows shall have manufacturer-installed exterior raised muntins with a sixover-one window design (no interior muntins or adhesive muntins).
- 6. Upgrading performance by including weather stripping and interior storm windows may be included.
- 7. All windows shall be installed in accordance with the 2023 Window Supplement. Prior to the final inspection of any building permit, the owner or their agent shall submit to the

COA-23-29677 Page 1 of 6 Historic Preservation Section an affidavit and any supplementary evidence that verifies compliance with all conditions of the COA final order.

#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

COA-23-29677 is for after-the-fact wholesale window replacement on a contributing structure within the Riverside Avondale Historic District. The primary structure on the property is a Colonial Revival-style two-story single-family residential structure. The residence can be characterized by its brick finish, shingled hipped roof, six-over-one windows, and small covered entry porch. Based on the submitted window survey form, thirty-five (35) windows on the structure were replaced with new vinyl windows with interior muntins. Six (6) of the windows were stated to be metal windows, while the remaining were stated to be wood windows. As proposed, the applicant is seeking approval for the after-the-fact replacement of all thirty-five windows with interior-muntin vinyl windows on a contributing structure.



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#### **STAFF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS**

Staff considered the applicable Design Guidelines for the Riverside Avondale Historic District and the Ordinance Code criteria found in Sections 307.106(k) and 307.106(l). The following is the Staff's analysis:

- Based on the site visit conducted September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Staff was able to confirm that
  all of the historic windows on the structure have been replaced with either nine-overnine interior muntin vinyl windows or one-over-one windows. The homeowners stated
  that to the best of their knowledge, there were no restoration practices initiated on the
  windows prior to their removal. However, one of the homeowners inherited the home
  from a relative, so they are able to recall some of the conditions of the windows.
- Since the windows were never inspected by Staff, the Historic Preservation Section was
  unable to assess/inspect the condition of the windows prior to their removal. As such,
  Staff are unable to determine if the wholesale window replacement was warranted. The
  most amendable way to rectify the violation is to ensure the current vinyl windows are
  removed and replaced with a wood or wood-blend window product.
- As Staff was unable to inspect the windows prior to their removal, the Historic Preservation Section is unable to determine whether the windows were beyond repair.
   If the windows were repairable, the proposed scope of work would be inconsistent with Section 307.106(I)(6) and the Design Guidelines which states that deteriorated architectural features shall be repaired rather than replaced whenever possible.
- The property has an active building permit for window replacement which is in "temporary status" (B-23-662705). The permit was applied for some time in July, however, it was never finalized or reviewed.
- Based on a search of the Historic Preservation Section's database, there is no record of the windows being replaced or repaired in the past. As such, there is no documentation or evidence that the windows were ever previously replaced.
- According to the Property Appraiser's website, the property was purchased in February of 2023.
- By replacing all of the historic wood windows, a significant portion of the character of the structure has been removed and replaced with a historically inappropriate product, which is inconsistent with Section 307.106(I)(2).
- Historic wood windows are a significant part of the architectural character of a structure
  and its contribution to the district. The Historic District Design Guidelines on Windows
  note "Windows in the districts are often important stylistic elements." They are a
  character-defining feature and the loss of historic wood windows, when their
  replacement is not necessary, is inconsistent with Chapter 307.106(k)(1 and 3).

For these reasons, it is the position of the Planning and Development Department that the proposed work is inconsistent with:

- 1. Section 307.106(k) General Standards: 1 and 3
- 2. Section 307.106(I) Guidelines on "Alterations": 2 and 6
- 3. Historic District Design Guidelines, Section on "Windows"

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#### **CODE CRITERIA AND DESIGN GUIDELINES**

#### **General Criteria-**

- 307.106(k)(1) The effect of the proposed work on the landmark, landmark site or property within an historic district upon which such work is to be done;
- 307.106(k)(3) The extent to which the historic, architectural, or archaeological significance, architectural style, design, arrangement, texture and materials of the landmark or the property will be affected;

#### **Alterations**

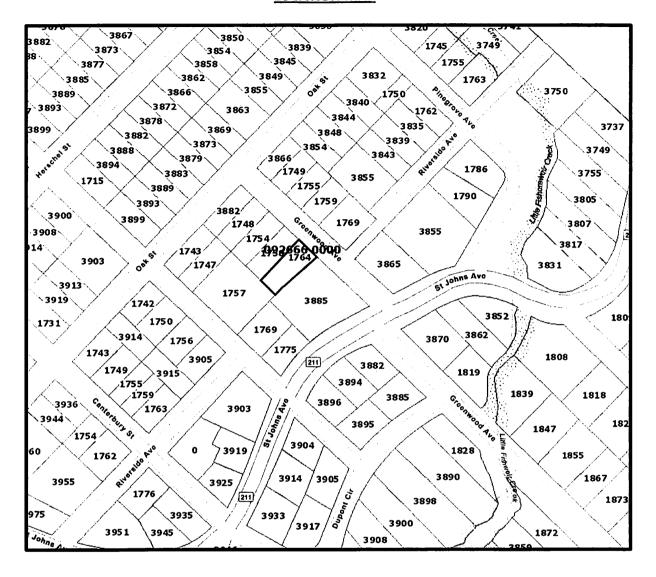
- 307.106(I)(2) The distinguishing original qualities or character of a building, structure, or site shall not be destroyed. The removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural features shall be avoided when possible.
- 307.106(I)(6) Deteriorated architectural features shall be repaired rather than replaced, wherever possible. In the event replacement is necessary, the new material shall match the material being replaced in composition, design, color, texture, and other visual qualities. However, technologically advanced materials shall be considered and used as replacement alternatives. Repair or replacement of missing architectural features shall be based on accurate duplications of features, substantiated by historical, physical, or pictorial evidence rather than on conjectural designs or the availability of different architectural elements from other buildings or structures.

#### Historic District Design Guidelines, Section on "Windows, Awning, and Shutters"

- Windows, Recommend #1: "Retain and repair window openings, frames, sash, glass, lintels, sills, pediments, architraves, hardware, awnings, and shutters where they contribute to the architectural and historic character of the building."
- Windows, Recommend #3: "Replace missing or irreparable windows on significant elevations with new windows that match the original in material, size, general muntin, and mullion proportion and configuration, and reflective qualities of the glass."
- Windows, Avoid #3: "Removing window features that can be repaired where such features contribute to the historic and architectural character of a building."
- Windows, Avoid #6: "Replacing windows that contribute to the character of a building with those that are incompatible in size, configuration, and reflective qualities or which alter the setback relationship between window and wall."

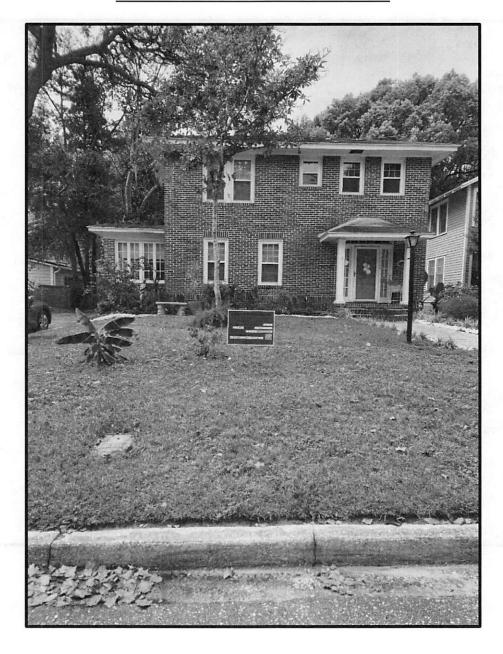
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#### **LOCATION MAP**



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## PICTURE OF PROPERTY WITH POSTED SIGN



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#### **NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION**

RE:

Certified Transcript of the September 27, 2023 Jacksonville Historic

**Preservation Commission Meeting** 

DATE:

October 30, 2023

#### Please find attached:

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want to stay out of this one. 2 THE CHAIRMAN: How about an amendment to

3 the motion? COMMISSIONER LOPERA: Yeah. You guys can 4

5 amend my motion, just annihilate it, because -yeah, I mean, this is -- the way I look at 6

7 this, you know, the building is -- you know,

8 like the applicant said, it's -- in my mind, it

looks pretty plain and simple with not a -- not 9

a lot going for it. So whatever excuse we can 10

11 have to get rid of those windows, whether it's 12 equipment or --

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: Look at that parti. 13 Look at that up there, you know? Look at that. 14

15 THE CHAIRMAN: Perfectly aligned.

COMMISSIONER LOPERA: Well, go ahead and 16 annihilate my motion. 17

18 (Simultaneous speaking.)

THE CHAIRMAN: You're (inaudible) --

20 COMMISSIONER GREGORY: Are we going to

21 require staff --

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COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: I think, yeah. 22

23 COMMISSIONER GREGORY: Are we going to

require -- require staff approval of 24

whatever -- you know -- you know, a false 25

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window, we'll call it, we're putting there?

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: I think it needs 2

to -- yes, it needs to have staff approval. 3

4 And, you know, they -- they can submit it, but

I think it needs to be something that is set

back from the existing facade adjacent to it so

7 that it still has the appearance of a void and

it has a distinguishing finish from the 8

9 adjacent facade around it, again, so that it

distinguishes from the -- the rest of that --10

11 and they did say they'd put the whole windows

12 [sic] back in the front, so --

COMMISSIONER GREGORY: For the entry door. 13 14

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: Yeah, for the entry 15

door. So -- give me a second. I'm --16

MS. LOPERA: If I could just restate -the original motion was to approve with all

17 18 conditions except for Number 1. That's what

19 you would be amending.

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: Okay. So I think,

21 then, the motion is to approve with the

22 amendment to Condition 1, that the front window

23 entry be maintained as it is, and the window on

the front elevation to the right can become 24

25 enclosed as long as it is recessed back from

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the adjacent facade to mimic the window parti above, and has a distinguished materiality 2

different from the facade adjacent to it.

MS. LOPERA: To be approved by --4 5

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: To be --

6 MS. LOPERA: -- staff?

7 COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: -- approved by

8 staff.

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COMMISSIONER FRICK: Second.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: All those in favor?

11 COMMISSION MEMBERS: Ave.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Those opposed?

13 COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.)

THE CHAIRMAN: We'll take a vote on the 14

15 motion as amended.

16 All those in favor?

COMMISSION MEMBERS: Aye.

THE CHAIRMAN: Those opposed? 18

19 COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.)

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Hearing none, you have

21 approved COA-23-29241.

22 And with that, we're moving on to

23 Section H, work initiated or completed without

a COA, CAO-23-29677, 1764 Greenwood Avenue. 24 25

MR. ANDERSON: COA-23-29677 is for the

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13 the windows were stated to be metal windows, 14 while the remaining were stated to be wood

15 windows.

As proposed, the applicant is seeking approval for the after-the-fact replacement of all 35 windows with interior muntins, vinyl windows on a contributing structure.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Questions for staff?

21 COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.) 22 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. We'll open the

23 public hearing. 24 (Audience member approaches the podium.)

> THE CHAIRMAN: If you'll state your name Diane M. Tropia, Inc., Post Office Box 2375, Jacksonville, FL 32203

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and address for me. AUDIENCE MEMBER: My name is Cary Grimm. 2 3 I'm with CG Consulting and Design.

4 The -- one of the property owners is here 5 as well.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. And she's going 7 to swear you in real quick.

8 THE REPORTER: If you would raise your 9 right hand for me, please.

MR. GRIMM: (Complies.)

11 THE REPORTER: Do you affirm that the 12 testimony you are about to give will be the 13 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the 14 truth?

15 MR. GRIMM: Yes, ma'am. 16 THE REPORTER: Thank you. 17 THE CHAIRMAN: Welcome.

18 MR. GRIMM: All right. So we did -- we 19 were -- we approached the homeowners. They -they needed the windows. Their windows were 20

21 dilapidated, they had rotting, water

22 infiltration to the house, and some -- in some

23 areas, and so there was a great necessity for 24 new windows.

> So we took care to get windows that Diane M. Tropia, Inc., Post Office Box 2375, Jacksonville, FL 32203 (904) 821-0300

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1 two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight --

2 I've got nine different properties that I

just -- I brought pictures to, but there's

4 several more that do not have the original

windows in the house that are -- that are 6 within the last five to fifteen years.

7 Now, the society itself has only been 8 keeping record of these things, I think, from

9 10 So, with that, you know, we believe that

11 it's in the best interest for the homeowner. Wood windows -- you have seven different wood

13 window manufacturers that will -- that will 14 manufacture a window that -- normally,

15 throughout the country, work for a historical

16 society. In the state of Florida, you have

17 three of reputable -- that are anywhere near

18 reputable. The difference is, is that those

19 windows are anywhere from 2,900 to \$3,500 a

20 piece. They are 30 percent less efficient than

21 a vinyl window. They are not carbon neutral. 22 They do not have the same air infiltration

23 ratings.

24 Our windows are 15 times better than any 25 wood window that could be put in the house. So

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1 actually matched the grids or the -- the

2 munting in the windows that are, you know,

3 from -- an eye's view from the street, look

4 exactly the same as the other ones. The

5 other -- the original windows were of a square

contour with a glazing bead that was -- that

7 has a contour, of course, to the glass. These

8 windows are exactly the same, so you cannot

9 visually see a difference in these -- in these.

10 The only difference you can see is you don't

11 see wavy glass as you would in an antique

12 window. So, I mean, we took the care to do

13 that.

14 I, personally -- I've -- I've done over 15 1,500 historical homes. I was on a

16 preservation [sic] in Michigan, Ohio, and

17 Indiana. I've been a contractor for 36 years.

18 So, I mean, we took care in -- in taking care

19 of this. Their -- the paperwork was an

20 oversight, so it was not an intentional thing,

21 so --

22 We have walked the neighborhood, looked at

23 several different properties, and there's --

which I have colored pictures of here if anybody wants to see them. And there's one,

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1 it saves them money, better on energy.

They're -- they're never going to have to

replace them again. They visually look like

4 the windows that came out of the house.

So in doing this, overall, for the -- for

the home, for the neighborhood -- these folks

7 have taken time to fix up the yard, fix up the

house. The house next door is dilapidated. 8

9 You have several in the neighborhood that are a

10 straight eyesore to the neighborhood. These

11 folks are taking time and money to fix up the

12 house. And if you stand back and look at the

13 windows, you can't tell the difference.

14 There's a couple of houses in the 15 neighborhood, they have windows very similar to 16 theirs, what they had. And I held the pictures 17 right there. You stand in the street, you cannot tell the difference. 18

So we're not -- we're upgrading the 20 neighborhood. We're maintaining the integrity of the view. So we are conscious of that. 21

22 We're just asking that these folks can do that 23 without having to drop \$200,000 in inferior

24 windows.

> THE CHAIRMAN: All right. We'll call you Diane M. Tropia, Inc., Post Office Box 2375, Jacksonville, FL 32203 (904) 821-0300

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back up if we need you.

COMMISSIONER LOPERA: I did have one 2 3 comment, through the Chair. I guess considering that you had been on commissions, 4 historical commissions before, and considering 5 you've done this in multiple states, you know, 6 we -- I would, you know, hold that to a higher 7 standard than I would when homeowners do this 8 9 and they are not aware of the permitting process. 10

So that's something that -- having done 11 12 this nationally, that you would have known 13 about window muntins, you would have known about the materials of original windows 14 compared to newer windows. You would have 15 known about wood clad windows. That's all 16 information that you would have known as a 17 18 contractor. So I, you know, would take that into account when -- you know, as we're 19 20 discussing this matter.

MR. GRIMM: Yes, sir. I mean -- by all 21 22 means. We -- it was a complete oversight on our part, we're aware of that. 23

You know, in trying to keep the integrity of the house -- now, when we -- you know, as Diane M. Tropia, Inc., Post Office Box 2375, Jacksonville, FL 32203

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folks that are very familiar with this industry 2 as well, you know, when you pull these windows

out, when you do a wood window, you -- you harm 3

the integrity of the -- you know, you have

fluted trim, you have beveled trim, you have

all kinds of trim that is associated with a

house of this age. There's -- you actually 7

8 harm much less of the house doing this type of 9

installation than you would with a wood

installation. 10 11

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So, I mean, it's -- wood windows are painted with a semi-gloss, like a satin paint.

Standing back, you're -- it's going to 13

14 literally -- it looks exactly the same. 15

I -- it was my understanding as well 16 that -- I mean, in my experience as well,

17 that -- you know, it's the front preservation

that is normally the focal point. You know, I 18

would -- I would think that everybody in this 19

20 room could stand back at the street and look at

it and go, you really can't tell the 21

22 difference.

I mean, you have -- when you have the 23 wood -- wood grids that are actually -- that 24 stand outside of the glass, the first thing to

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be bug-infested, the first thing to rot. This

is just -- I mean -- and as time goes on, wood

3 windows -- I'm -- like I said, it would --

been -- we've probably all been around this 4

industry for a little bit. Wood windows are 5

going to be something that are not going to 7

exist forever, so there's --

THE CHAIRMAN: I do understand that, but, 8

9 unfortunately, that's -- that is our standards. I mean, we go through windows every single 10

11 meeting. And every single meeting, we tell

12 people, sorry, you can't replace them. Every

13 single meeting, it's, hey, you've got to get

them repaired. And we have no evidence at all 14

of what was there, which really kind of puts us 15

16 in a tight spot because our position on this

issue has to be, would we have approved it, 17

not --18

19 It's unfortunate for us sometimes because 20 we have to try and take the homeowner into

consideration, but we're not supposed to -- our 21

22 situation is strictly, hey, would you have

approved this from the (inaudible), and we 23

have -- with zero evidence of what the windows 24

25 looked like, it's impossible, just about, for

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us to say, no, we wouldn't -- you know, we

would have, so -- but we'll call you back up.

MR. GRIMM: Sure. Thank you. 3

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: Through the Chair 4

5 to the applicant --

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MR. GRIMM: Yes, ma'am.

7 COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: -- I'm interested,

because of any historic project I've worked on 8

9 or historic district, they do not allow the

mullions in between the glass. They always 10

11 will require an exterior applied. Is that

12 something, in your previous experience where

you've worked, that they allow? 13

I just -- I have not heard of that before.

15 That ends up being a big poo-poo because -- you

can see exactly here with the reflection from, 16

17 you know, the glare on the glass and the tint

of the glass, it does not look like your 18

19 standard, you know, 3D --

MR. GRIMM: To create the shadow line. 20

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: Yes. 21

22 MR. GRIMM: So, yeah, in my -- in my past

23 experience I had out of -- out of Michigan,

24 Indiana, Ohio, where I did the majority of

my -- of my professional work, you had places

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in -- in historic Detroit, places in historic

Grand Rapids, some places, you know, in Toledo

that -- because the way they divide things up

there, where -- in some cases it was, you know,

5 very important. It was more of the actual

aesthetics. If you could hold them side to 6

7 side and it was like you didn't see a

difference in it, it was -- it was on the table 8 9

for discussion.

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THE CHAIRMAN: I know we've said it's an oversight, but, I mean, I -- just judging by your past work history, did you not think to ask? I mean, I -- that is surprising to me.

MR. GRIMM: So we do a pretty large number 14 15 of -- of jobs. And so, you know, with that, 16 you know, it -- there could have been more due diligence on our part to -- to look further 17 18 into it, and it's just -- you know, we accept 19 responsibility for that. 20

You know, we're just -- now sitting where 21 we're sitting, we're saying, listen, I mean, 22 it's not -- we're not taking away from this 23 neighborhood by -- by -- here, you know, we're asking that -- to give the -- you know, the 24 homeowner some grace, some mercy on it. I

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mean, obviously, we'll -- we do what we have to 1 2 do.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Any more questions at the moment? 4

5 COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.)

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. We'll call you 6 7 back up.

8 MR. GRIMM: Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

(Audience member approaches the podium.) 10

11 THE CHAIRMAN: If you will just state your 12

name and address.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Hi. My name is Mark 13 Protheroe. My nickname is Marcos. And I'm the 14 owner of 1764 Greenwood Avenue. 15

16 THE CHAIRMAN: She's going to swear you in 17 real quick.

THE REPORTER: If you would raise your 18 19 right hand for me, please.

MR. PROTHEROE: (Complies.)

21 THE REPORTER: Do you affirm that the

22 testimony you are about to give will be the

23 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the 24

truth?

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MR. PROTHEROE: I do.

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THE REPORTER: Thank you. 1

MR. PROTHEROE: Right and Honorable 2

members of the Commission, thank you for giving

4 me an audience.

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I have handouts for you. May I approach?

6 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. PROTHEROE: (Tenders documents.)

THE CHAIRMAN: You're good. 8

MR. PROTHEROE: My family has occupied 9

10 this structure since 1964. In recent years, we

have done some well-needed repairs and 11

12 renovations to the house. In the first

13 picture, that's the living room and that's the 14

result of our effort.

15 The house was built in 1926, and we've 16 bought a bunch of antiques to kind of bring

that feel of the '20s, and the -- and the 17

original nature to the structure. And as part 18

19 of that bigger renovation project and

preservation project, we contracted CG 20

21 Consulting and Design to replace our windows.

22 There was major deterioration. There was 23 rotten wood. There was glass separation,

rainwater coming in. And, of course, paint 24

25 sealing -- you could walk around -- walk by

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1 some windows and they had a gap, and you would have to break the window to close that gap, and

a lot of alligator texture to lead paint,

and -- but we wanted to correct that situation.

The wood was unfinished in these windows. 5

If you go into the RAP house, they went back

and they stained and varnished the -- their

windows on the interior. But on these windows,

that wasn't the case. In three instances -- in

10 the breakfast room and then in the kitchen,

11 there weren't wooden -- wooden windows. There

12 were jalousie windows that were popular during

the '50s and '60s. And if you've ever grown up 13

in a house with jalousie windows, it's cold, 14

particularly in the -- in those rooms. 15 16

You can see on picture 2, there is extensive wood glue on one of the windows, to give you at least a little idea of the damage 18

19 we were -- we were facing. 20

We contracted -- on Page 3, we contracted 21 with the aforementioned company, and -- it's 22 highlighted -- you have the clause, "We will 23 provide permits and call inspections as

24 required by Code."

We were also proactive on -- upon

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contracting the present company of reminding them of the historic commission. We -- hey, we 2 get letters from them; there's regulations that 3 have to be followed. 4

The new windows are in the style of the neighborhood. It's a -- I think the Commission calls it a -- six-one [sic] lites, where you have six smaller panels up top and a big panel on the bottom. And there are several houses within walking distance that are of that same style, old and new.

We agree with the initial inspector, Shonnenberg [sic]. I know I'm slaughtering his name, but he found that there was no malice or deception on the part of the homeowner, and his goal was to make the owner whole again. We -we agree. And we implore the Commission not to excessively punish the homeowner.

We were proactive in reminding the company, that, hey, there are rules and regulations about this. And it would just seem unfair that we'd be -- we would be personally 22 slapped with a fine or -- in order to rip out the windows and have to go through -- our lives being turned upside down again about another

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of what -- I mean, this picture -- this picture doesn't paint the whole story. It doesn't look 2 even that bad, that -- what we've seen, we've denied, even similar. 4

5 You know, I always -- we always have, you know, sympathy for owners who go out and 7 request for windows to be done, and -- and they're not entirely sure of the permitting 9 process. I don't know how replacing windows 10 doesn't trigger -- in the neighborhood, doesn't trigger a permit to come up with -- if they 11 don't have a COA, but it seems like it happens 12 13

all the time. COMMISSIONER LOPERA: I agree with 15 Commissioner Epstein. It does -- it seems like it's happening just as much as it was before. You know, we bring up the same issues every time it does happen. And, unfortunately, the homeowner is, you know, left at --

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Is there a way --COMMISSIONER LOPERA: I'm sorry? MS. LOPERA: He closed the public hearing. AUDIENCE MEMBER: Okay.

COMMISSIONER LOPERA: So, unfortunately, the homeowner is left to accept the

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installation. And, plus, we don't have the

2 money.

3 And so I -- I thank the Commission for its time. If you have any questions, I would 4 certainly welcome them, and -- but as far as my 5 presentation, I yield -- Mr. Chairman, I yield 6 the remainder of my time. 7

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

MR. PROTHEROE: Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN: Any questions for the 10 11 applicant before he leaves?

COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.)

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you. 13

Is there anybody else here to speak on

15 this COA?

AUDIENCE MEMBERS: (No response.)

THE CHAIRMAN: We will close the public

18 hearing, and I'll entertain a motion.

COMMISSIONER LOPERA: Motion to deny 19 20 COA-23-29677.

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: Second. 21

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.

22 23 COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: To staff, I mean,

we're supposed to rule on this as if they are 24 asking for this, and we don't have any evidence

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consequences for something that was not their

actions. The homeowner here entrusted the

contractor to know about the building permits.

And it clearly says here, "We will provide

permits and call inspections as required by

Code." And that's their responsibility.

7 And, yes, I agree with Commissioner 8 Epstein that we would not approve this final

product with the -- with the embedded muntins 9

within the glazing, and -- yeah, with no 10

11 evidence of what was there before. You know,

12 usually we'll get, you know, a package with

dozens and dozens of photos of every single 13 14

window.

15 And regarding the general contractor's 16 stance that we only care about the front of 17 the -- the front elevation, that's not entirely correct. You know, when we do window 19 replacements, we're looking at every window on

20 every elevation. 21 So that being said, that's -- those are

the -- that's what I would provide for why we 22 23 would deny this COA. 24

THE CHAIRMAN: I really have nothing to add. I mean, that's what I would have said to Diane M. Tropia, Inc., Post Office Box 2375, Jacksonville, FL 32203

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the applicant, what you guys have said as well.

2 That's exactly how I feel, so --

3 Anybody else?

COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.) 4

5 THE CHAIRMAN: All right.

6 MS. LOPERA: Before you vote, it sounds

7 like you're moving in the denial direction,

could you opine on what you would like to see, 8

9 to give staff some direction in working with

10 the homeowner?

11 MR. WELLS: If I may, too, I just want to 12 interject here. So through the Chair to the

13 Commission, one thing we've gotten into the

14 habit of doing for denials, especially

15 after-the-fact work, if you all decide to deny

16 it, we're going to start applying corrective

17 actions to this -- the staff report. So on

18 Page 1 we have a list of different conditions

19 that the applicant would need to perform in

20 order to correct their violation, essentially.

21 So, hopefully, that helps add to the discussion

22 for what you would like to see.

23 COMMISSIONER LOPERA: Through the Chair,

24 thank you. That's -- I read through the

corrective actions, and those are perfect. I

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wouldn't even add a period to any of that.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. There's a

motion on the table, so all those in favor? 3

4 COMMISSION MEMBERS: Aye.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Those opposed?

COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.) 6 7

THE CHAIRMAN: Hearing none, you have

8 denied COA-23-29677.

9 And with that, we're on to Section L,

New Business. It's marked 5. It should be 4, 10

11 but what are we going to do?

MR. WELLS: So through the Chair, I

13 believe we're on our last item of new business,

14 the --

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THE CHAIRMAN: Correct.

16 MR. WELLS: -- LM-23- -- so this is --

this pertains to Landmark 23-04, located at 411

Liberty Street. So just a little preface here. 18

This structure was a part of two other 19

20 structures, back in December, where the

21 applicant sought to demolish all three. At

22 that time, you-all voted to allow demolition

23 for the two structures. The applicant was

24 going to withdraw his demolition permit for the

25 third structure to seek landmarking status.

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As of right now, the application has

2 been -- the staff report has been written.

You're not necessarily taking a vote on this

item, but we're just looking for you-all to

sponsor the landmark so we can take ownership

and control of it. We've been having some

7 complications with the applicant responding.

So, ultimately, again, the application is

9 written; we just need some action to be taken.

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: So you just need us to say we sponsor --

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Sponsor. And it's just

13 a -- at the end of the day, it's a fact-finding

14 mission because -- as always, so --

15 COMMISSIONER GREGORY: You said the

16 applicant has been nonresponsive. Are they --

17 do you know if they're still in favor of the

18 landmarking?

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19 MR. WELLS: Through the Chair to

Commissioner Gregory, yes, they are in favor.

21 We're just having some issues with payment of

22 some advertising fees, so -- that's it.

COMMISSIONER EPSTEIN: So I move to

24 sponsor the landmarking of LM-23-04.

COMMISSIONER LOPERA: Second.

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THE CHAIRMAN: All those in favor? 1

COMMISSION MEMBERS: Aye.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: Those opposed?

4 COMMISSION MEMBERS: (No response.) 5

THE CHAIRMAN: Hearing none, you have

sponsored the potential landmark. 6

With that, we're up to information.

8 MR. WELLS: So through the Commission, the

9 last item is the 2024 JHPC's planning. So I

10 just want to give you all a heads-up, that we,

11 as staff, are going to start planning in terms

of dates, room reservations, COA matrix 12

13 updates, et cetera. So I just want to put this

14 on your radar in terms of if there's any

15 preferences or any concerns that you may have

when we start charting out dates. So as of 16 17 right now, we're going with the same schedule

18 routine of doing the fourth Wednesday at

19 3 p.m., most likely in one of these rooms, or

20 if our new room is available, but just get with

21 me, please, if you can, for next month, pending

22 dates, drafting of it.

23 MS. LOPERA: Public Works?

24 MR. WELLS: And then nothing from Public

25 Works.

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RE:

Certified Final Order for COA-23-29677

DATE:

October 30, 2023

#### Please find attached:

• Certified list of speakers and those that provided written comments regarding COA-23-29677, heard at the September 27, 2023 Historic Preservation Commission meeting

If there are any questions, please contact me at (904) 255-7800.

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Cary Grimm CG Consulting and Design, Inc. 7999 Philips Highway, Suite 309 Jacksonville, FL 32256 Mr. Protheroe and Mr. Hughes feel that their voices are not being heard in consideration of JHPC final decision to deny approval of the Certificate of Appropriateness for replacement windows, post installation.

- Cost Prohibitive Mr. Hughes was quoted in excess of \$100,000 to replace the windows with like windows to what has been installed.
- The windows replaced were rotted allowing water to damage the lath, plaster, moldings and hardwood floors of the home.
- Mold had begun to develop from the excess moisture which had our clients concerned about more extensive damage and repairs.
- The windows in the addition were not replaced because they are in good condition and without leaks.
- It is unlikely that the replaced windows were original to the home since the kitchen had Jalousie windows that were likely part of the first set of replacement windows from the 1950's.
- JHPC does not have records prior to 2008 on this home or others, yet "assume" that the windows replaced were original to the home.
- 8 of 10 homes on Greenwood Ave have replacement windows. None having a COA on file, that I could locate, showing that they had been approved for vinyl windows.
- The COA's for surrounding properties that I did find were for fencing or replacement roofs.
- Our homeowners have already experienced lower energy bills since having the replacement windows installed. Therefore, lower energy consumption means lowering their carbon footprint.
- No alternative options were offered by JHPC before handing down their final decision to deny. Our homeowners would really love to avoid having to tear out all their windows and would love a compromise of some sort.

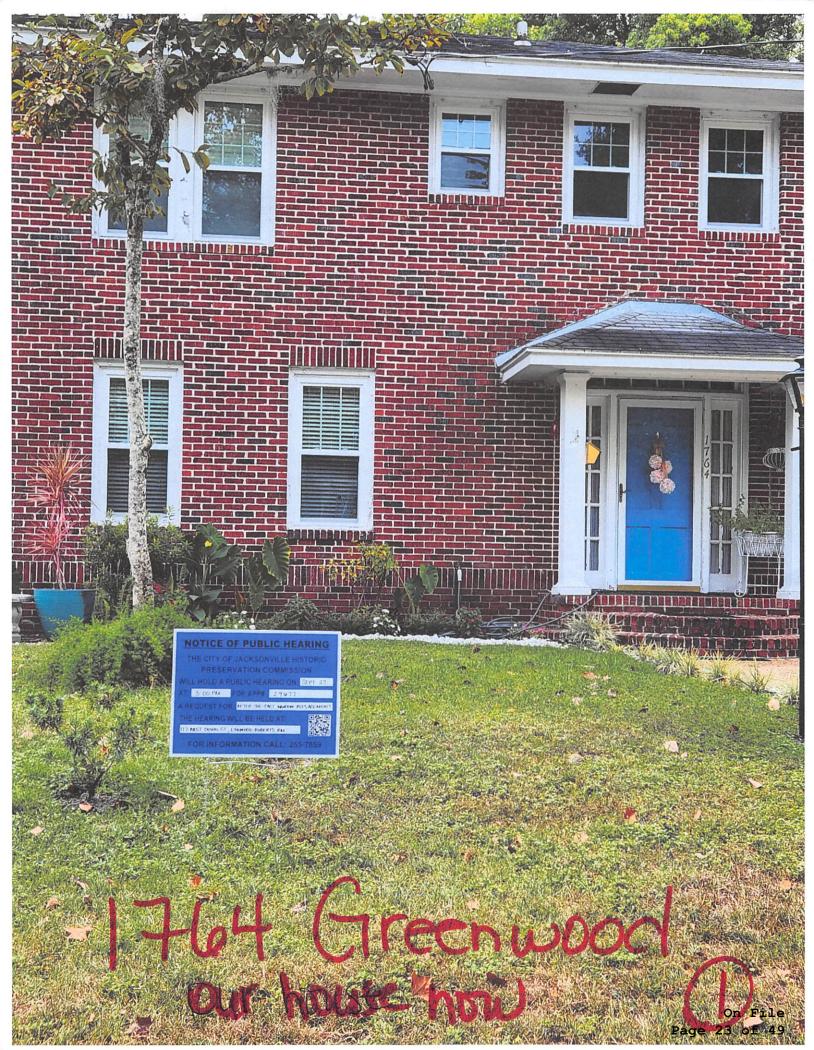
In closing, most folks cannot afford to spend the sort of money necessary to purchase replacement windows that meet JHPC requirements for the Certificate of Appropriateness. I'm afraid of the overall deterioration that could occur to our historical areas if the homeowners cannot meet the stringent requirements of the Historic Preservation to do routine maintenance. One example of this is two doors down from our homeowners at 1754 Greenwood Ave. Thank you for your consideration with this matter.

Tena Snow

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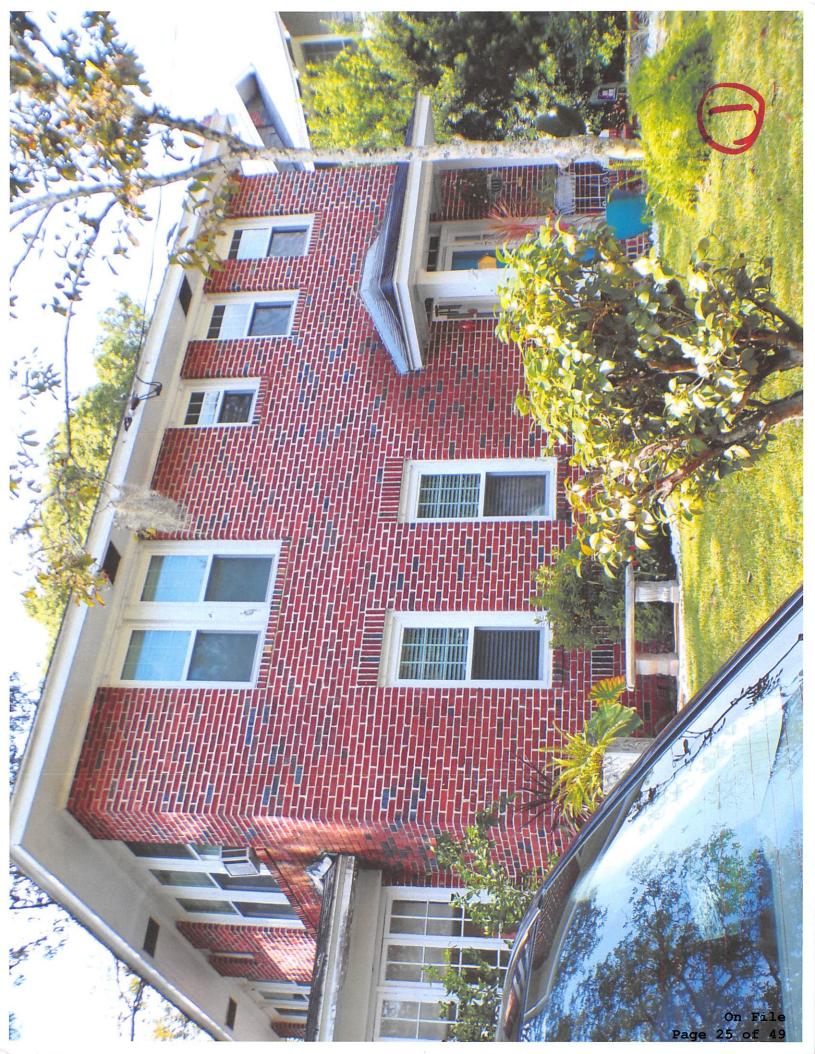
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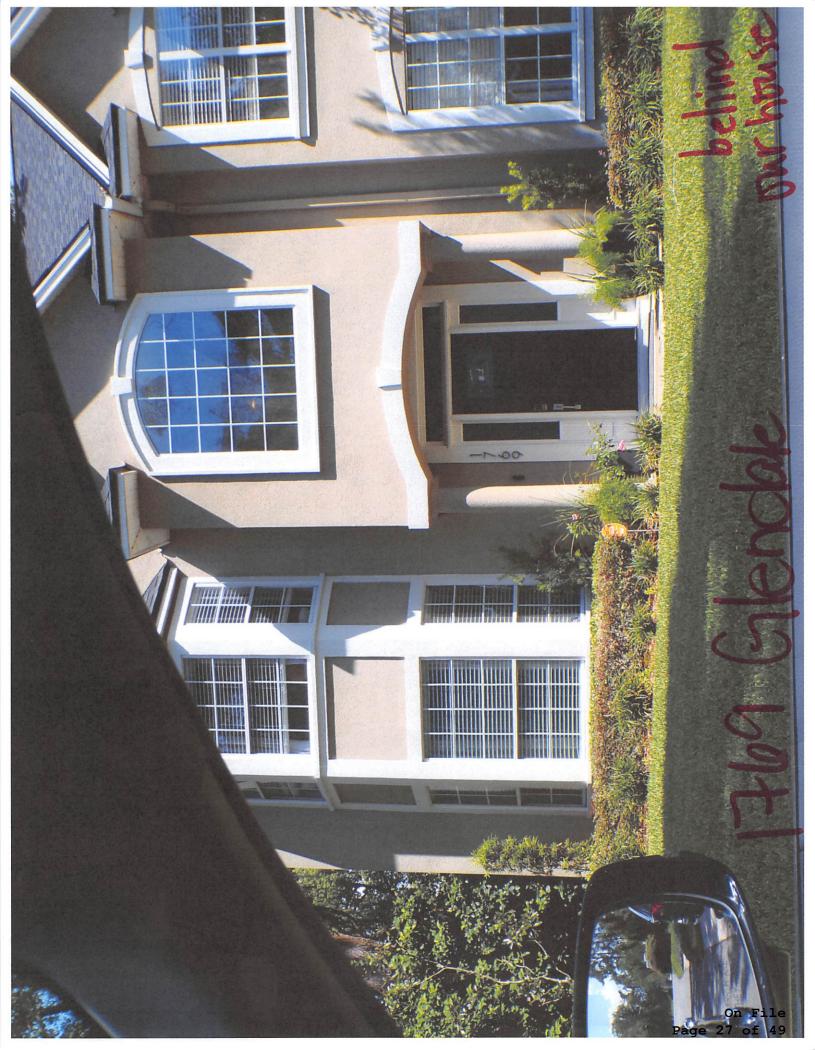


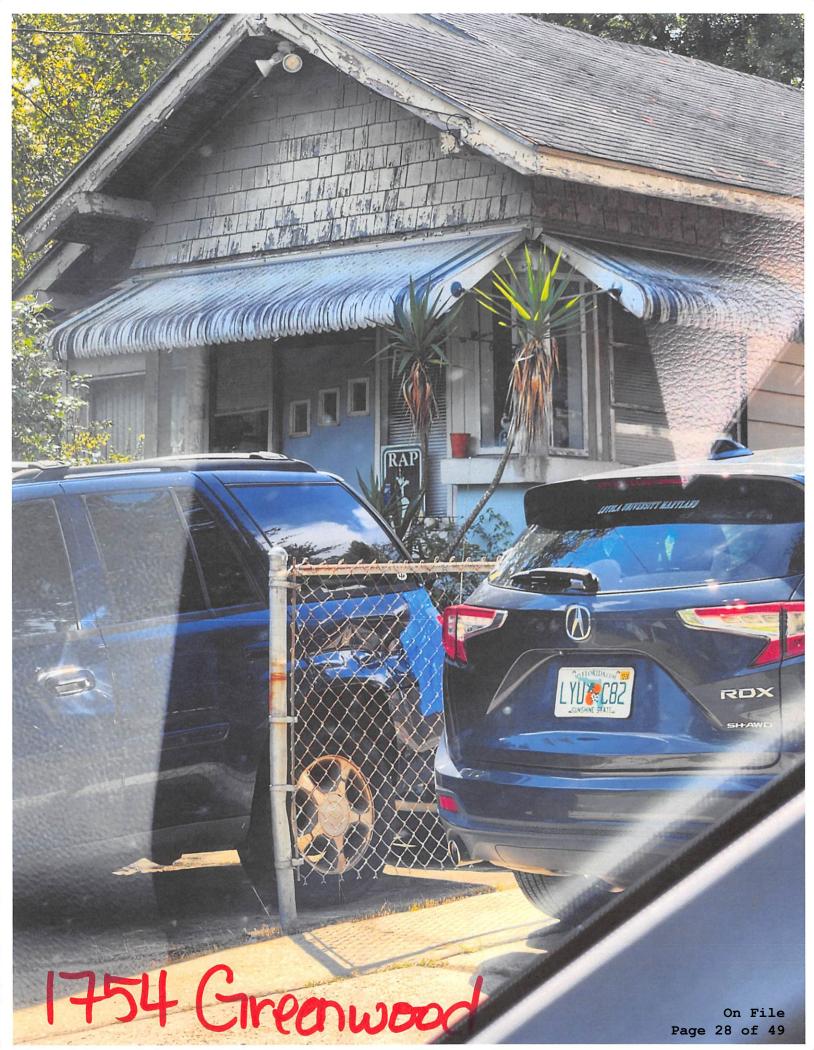
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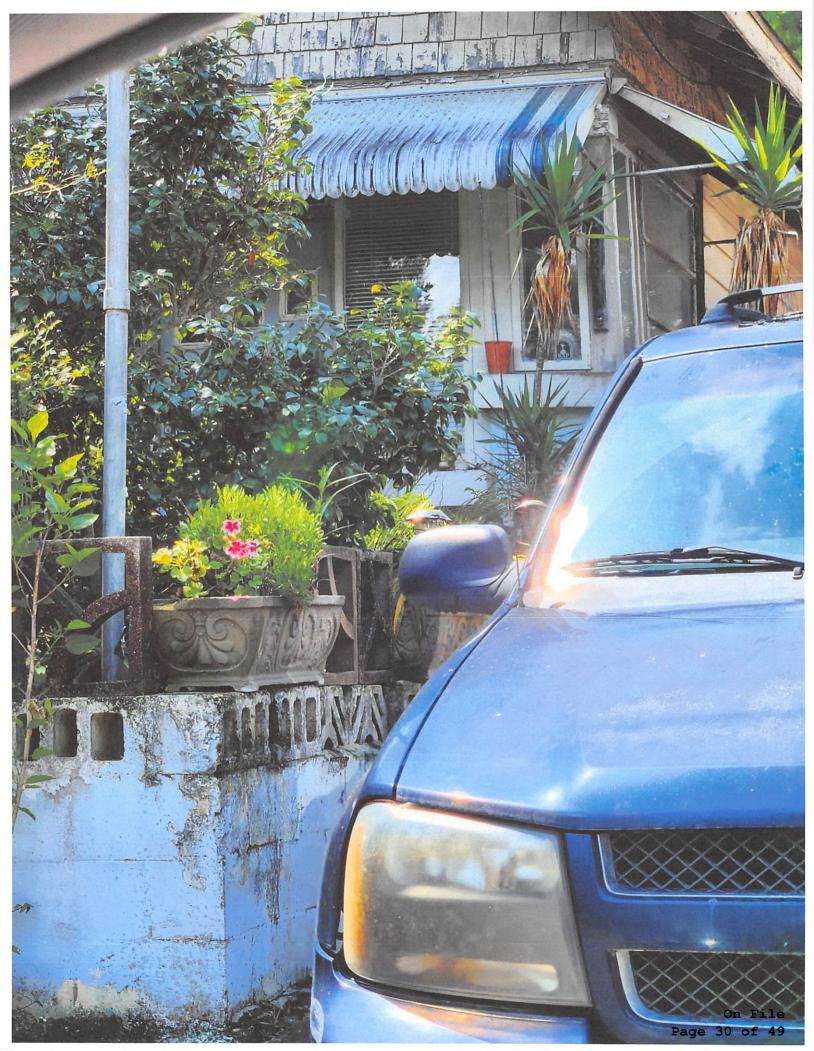




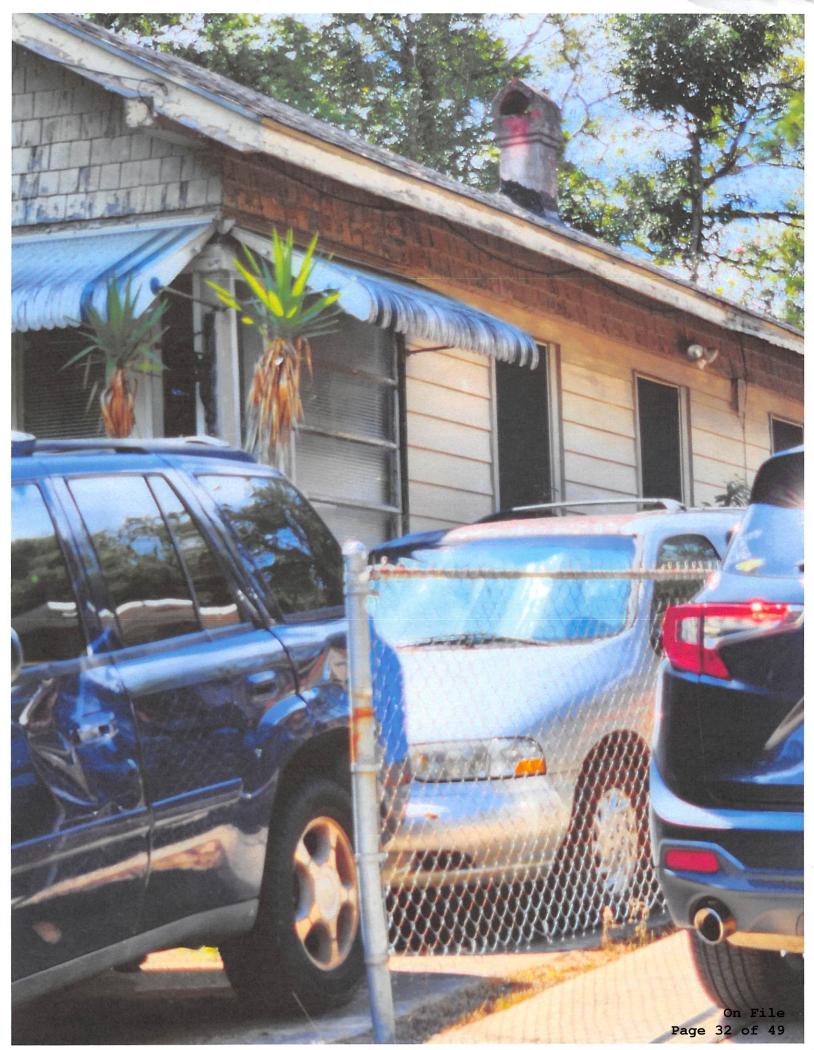


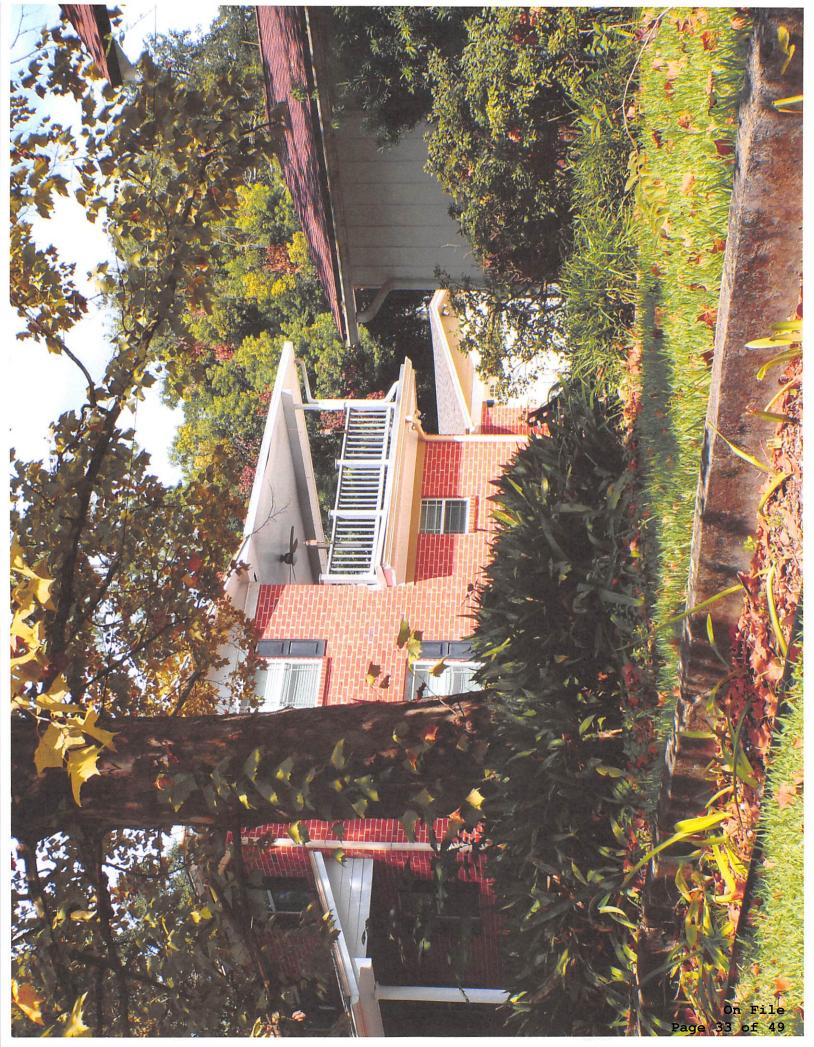




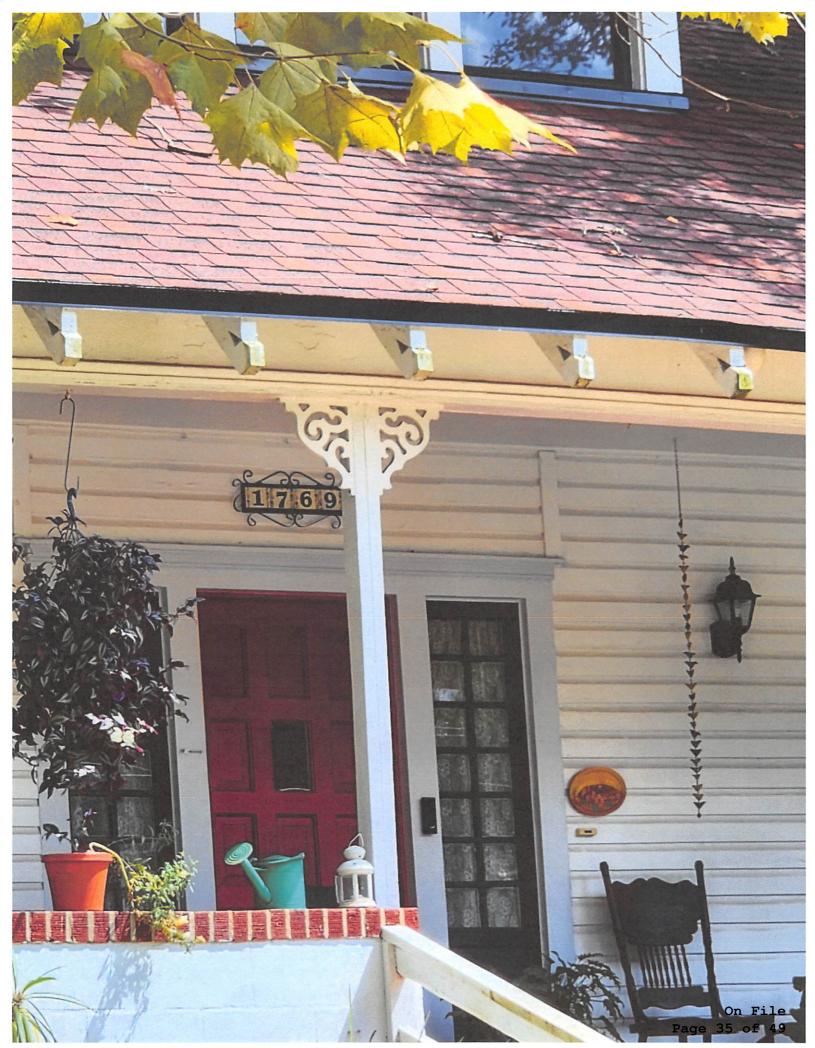














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