

Date: October 01, 2025

Case No. 250194
Address: 27 DEADWOOD ST

Staff Report

The applicant has submitted an application for Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 27 Deadwood Street, a contributing structure located in the Deadwood City Historic Planning Unit in the City of Deadwood.

Applicant: Troy Gorons
Owner: D & M Iron Horse Inn LLC
Constructed: 1896

CRITERIA FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

The Historic District Commission shall use the following criteria in granting or denying the Certificate of Appropriateness:

General Factors:

1. Historic significance of the resource:

This building is a contributing resource in the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District. This striking building with its horse head sculpture has mystified visitors for years. In fact, F.D. Smith had a feed store here, and horse-drawn delivery wagons could load in the basement and exit over a ramp into the street. Smith opened his business at this location in 1893 in a one story brick building. He announced his plans to add a second story in 1896, but ended up with this beautiful three-story building instead, built with stone from Whitewood Quarry. The location of this building adjacent to two railroad passenger stations made it a natural place for the City's Post Office from 1897 until 1907.

2. Architectural design of the resource and proposed alterations:

The applicant is requesting permission to replace all of the guest room windows on the second and third floors. Wood windows finished to match as close as possible on the inside, outside and would like them to be black. Start as soon as we can and work it through the winter, with a goal to finish in March. Window specifications and quote are included in the packet

Attachments: Yes

Plans: No

Photos: Yes

Staff Opinion: Staff met with the applicant and inspected the windows. It appears the windows were replaced at one time but uncertain of the date of the replacements. Based on this information, the proposed work and changes do not encroach upon, damage or destroy a historic resource or have an adverse effect on the character of the building or the historic character of the State and National Register Historic Districts or the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District.



Motions available for commission action:

A: Based upon the guidance found in DCO 17.68.050, I find that the exterior alteration proposed is congruous with the historical, architectural, archaeological or cultural aspects of the district and MOVE to grant Certification of Appropriateness.

OR

B: Based upon the guidance found in DCO 17.68.050, I find that the exterior alteration proposed is incongruous with the historical, architectural, archaeological or cultural aspects of the district and MOVE to deny Certification of Appropriateness.