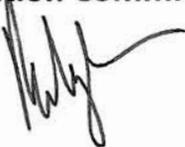




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DATE: February 11, 2026
TO: Historical Preservation Committee
FROM: Robert O. Hughes 
SUBJECT: 327 Bachman Avenue

My friend, Vince DePaul, recent purchaser and current Owner of the above referenced property asked me to review the possibility of changing out windows in his home. I scheduled a meeting with him and walked the property.

As a result of that walk through, I discovered that all bedroom single glazed wood windows were original while the remainder of the windows had been replaced by Andersen vinyl series 400 windows. The remaining wood windows are painted shut and the interior hardware does not exist or is in operable.

Research of Public Records show the home was built in 1918, clearly placing it under the jurisdiction of the HPC. I contracted Ryan Safty in the Planning Department for direction on how best to proceed. He advised me that I must submit to HPC for a decision.

It is my request that I be allowed to install Andersen 400 series windows to match the majority of the existing windows in the home. There are a couple of reasons for this request: 1) Safety to occupants to the home in that fire egress approved windows will be installed in the home, and 2) the energy efficiency will be improved by the dual glazed windows in the Andersen 400 series windows.

There are no records that I can find that shows the Andersen 400 series windows that have already been installed in the home were done with approval from HPC or with a properly issued Building Permit. And I have no idea when these Anderson 400 series windows were installed in the home.

Similarly, there are no records that complaints have been filed by neighbors or Town personnel about the original change out to the Andersen 400 series windows. The Andersen 400 series windows that have been installed are the only ones visible from the street, so allowing the replacement of the existing wood windows to achieve the goals of my request will not affect the existing exterior view of the property.

Photos of the existing Andersen 400 series windows taken from the street and photos of each existing wood window are part of this submittal.

I understand the concept that “two wrongs do not make it right”, but I believe this request to be the exception. Vince should not be penalized for past wrong behavior by others, and be allowed to make his home safer and more energy efficient.

I hereby respectfully request that I be allowed to proceed with the installation of Andersen 400 series windows in the bedrooms of the above reference home.