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Committee: Landmarks Commission	Meeting Date: 9/4/2024
Item Number: ID#24-10595	
Subject: Landmarks Commission Certificate of Appropriateness for 139 E. North St. Review a request to tuckpoint the exterior (Waukesha County Manufacturing Company/Waukesha Motor Company).	

Details: The applicants, Family Promise of Waukesha County, would like to tuckpoint the masonry exterior at 139 E. North St.

The tuckpointing will include all areas of the exterior masonry which are loose, eroded, or separated from adjoining masonry. Mortar will be cut out and cleaned, then new mortar will be added to match. The new mortar must match the hardness and texture of the existing mortar and must match the color as closely as possible. The applicants plan to take special care with an area of loose stone veneer at a handicap ramp on the south side of the building. The loose stone will be removed and put back in place before the mortar is re-applied.

139 E. North Street was built in 1866 with Commercial Vernacular architecture. It was originally used by the Waukesha County Manufacturing Company for wool storage. In the early twentieth century it became an office for Waukesha Motor Company.

Relevant Secretary of the Interior Standards:

2. The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces, and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.
5. Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.
6. Deteriorated historic features will be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature will match the old in design, color, texture and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features will be substantiated by documentary and physical evidence.



Paint and Repair Grant info: 139 E. North St. is not eligible for a Paint and Repair Grant because it is not a residential property. The applicant is pursuing other grant funding options for the project.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for tuckpointing and masonry repair at 139 E. North St. with the condition that new mortar will match the hardness and texture of existing mortar and will match the color as closely as possible.