

RICHARD BRANDI
Historic Preservation

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Dear Mr. Eschrich,

You mentioned that the city believes the shed roof addition at the rear of the house at 1415 Benton Street was constructed sometime between 1987 and 1993 without benefit of permits and that the city wants you to bring it up to the building code. As long as there are no visible changes to the exterior of the addition from the public right of way, there is no impact to the historic significance of the house and it remains a historic resource. I might add that the shed roof addition existed before the then owners entered into a Mills Act contract with the city that was signed January 20, 1998. This means there is a presumption that shed roof addition was considered to be part of the historic fabric of the house or that it had no impact on the historic significance of the house. In other words, there is no need to do anything now to the shed roof addition to make it compatible with the house from a historic preservation standpoint.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Richard Brandi