

From: Julie Ritter
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To: Jill Thacher
Subject: 317 South Division

Hello Historic District Commissioners,

My name is Julie Ritter. I have lived in the Old Fourth Ward since 1973 and have seen many changes in our neighborhood and in the City. I am a member of the Old Fourth Ward Neighborhood Association Board, and continue, with my husband, to renovate our 111 year old house in the neighborhood. I am a constant visitor to Ann Arbor's downtown and a long time advocate for historic preservation because it tells the story of our community in ways that nothing else can.

Please approve Ryan Pantaleo's proposal to renovate and expand the building at 317 South Division.

Ryan has gone to great lengths to do two things at once:

- Restore the exterior of the existing building to more closely align with its original appearance.
- Tastefully and discretely add a more modern addition in the rear.

The end result of these changes will be 20 bedrooms in four apartments. Not only will Ryan be meeting the requirements and aspirations of the Historic District Commission but he will be providing the kind of density that the city administration is hoping for.

This well conceived project will be a wonderful addition to downtown Ann Arbor. Please approve it.

Respectfully,

Julie Ritter

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"Consciously apply mystery to everything." - Tiokasin Ghosthorse, Lakota elder