

# STAFF REPORT WEST ALLIS PLAN COMMISSION Wednesday, May 29, 2024 6:00 PM

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7. Site, Landscaping, and Architectural plan Design Review for site and building alterations to property located 11300 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 445-0355-000).

# **Overview & Zoning**

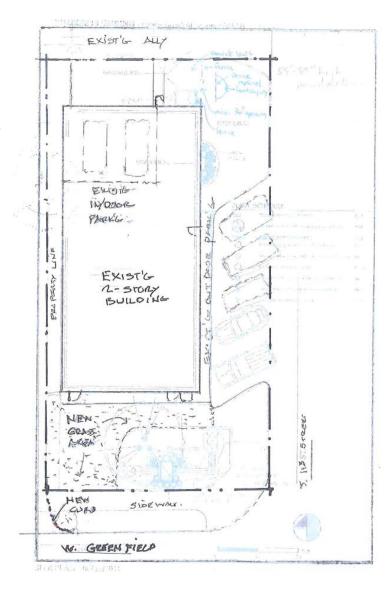


The applicant for the property at 11300 W. Greenfield Ave. is proposing to convert the existing mixed use (commercial ground floor and upper residential) from a 2-unit dwelling to a 3-unit dwelling by converting the ground floor commercial to a residential dwelling.

The property is zoned C-3. Three-unit dwellings are considered a limited uses in the C-3 district. The limited use criteria is satisfied as the building is located on a lot platted or recorded prior to the adoption of the current zoning ordinance which meets the building size and location requirements of the RB district under WAMC 19.41.

### Site Plan

The property is located at the corner of S. 113<sup>th</sup> St. and W. Greenfield Ave. An alley that extends east-west between S. 113<sup>th</sup> St. and S. 114 St. provides access to two attached garage parking stalls on site and a paved surface for two additional parking spaces behind the building. The ground floor of the building was previously



occupied by Milwaukee Plumbing, and their business had obtained a curb cut for an angled parking area along the west side of S. 113 St. The angled parking area provided some additional off-street parking for about 4 vehicles for the business. The plans show this angled parking area being maintained, but staff is recommending that the curb cut be modified/removed, and a curb, grass terrace, and new sidewalk be installed with the removal of the commercial use. The street facing portion of the site consists of a freestanding sign, an additional parking area, and a short picket fence.

The site plan submitted propose to remove the freestanding business sign, fence, modified curb cut opening on W. Greenfield Ave. that currently provides access to the front parking, and removal of the paved front parking area. The paved parking area is to be replaced with grass.

Engineering and Planning staff recommend closure of the long driveway along 113th St and replace it with a grass terrace and sidewalk to enhance the residential feel. Additionally, this would entail creating a sidewalk and carriage walk leading to the side door and conversion of the side yard to grass. No landscaping plans were submitted with the proposal. Staff will continue to work with the applicant on providing appropriate landscaping.

#### **Architectural Plan**

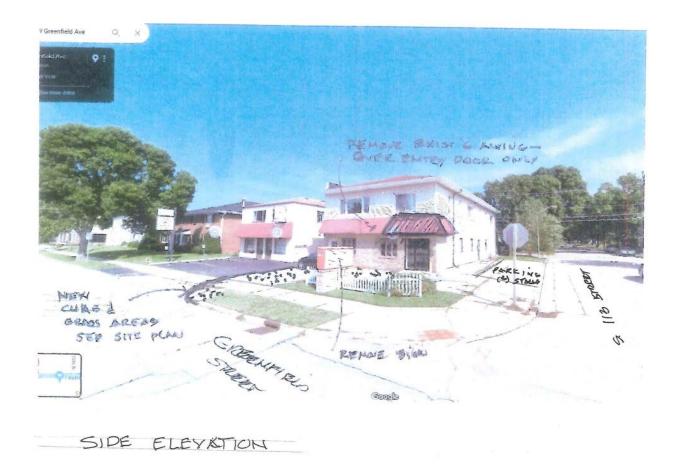
Minor architectural changes are proposed to the existing building. The current building has a rather residential design. The applicant is proposing to remove a portion of the front facing canopy over the entry door. No other architectural changes are proposed.

#### Floor Plan

The applicant submitted a floor plan for the first floor of the property showing a two-bedroom residential unit. No changes to the second-floor dwelling unit are proposed. There are no changes to the existing garage proposed. Staff is requesting more details as to how the garage will be utilized.

## **Design Guidelines**

The proposal is considered a minor redevelopment; guidelines may be used as a framework but are not a requirement for approval.

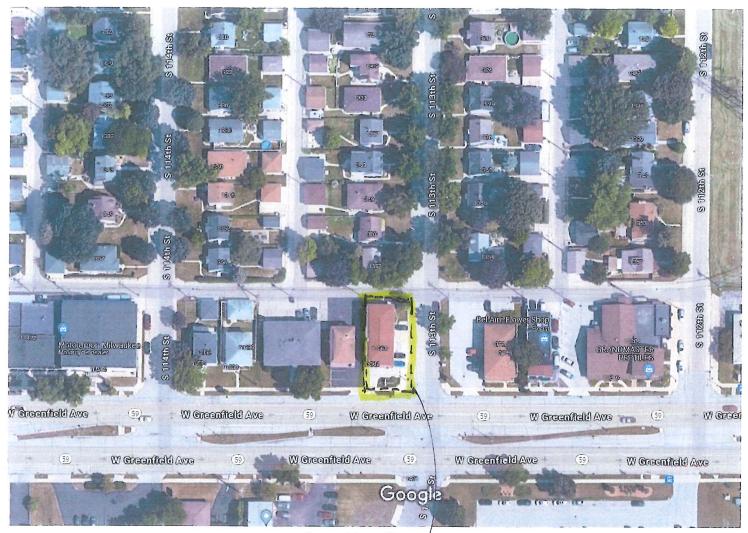


**Recommendation:** Approval of the Site, Landscaping, and Architectural plan Design Review for site and building alterations to property located 11300 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 445-0355-000) subject to the following conditions:

- A revised site and landscaping plan being submitted to the Planning & Zoning Office
  to show (a) removal of the angled parking area on the east side of the site. Install
  curb, a grass terrace, and sidewalk connection to the neighborhood to the north. A
  carriage walk being added between the new curb and side entrance to the building.
  (b) landscaping details being shown on a site plan and subject to City Forestry
  review, (c) confirmation on use of garage spaces on site, (d) refuse location on site.
- 2. A Street excavation permit being applied for in OpenGov prior to work beginning. Any concrete work in the right of way needs to be completed by a licensed and prequalified contractor within the City of West Allis. Contact Greg Bartelme at (414) 302-8367. Of note, a WisDOT permit may be needed to work adjacent to Greenfield Avenue.

3. Code Enforcement has indicated: Per IEBC 1012.1.1.2 partial change of occupancy classification for lower level will require that space to comply with the R-2 fire protection requirements in IBC ch 9. A fire protection system will be required to be installed in the area undergoing the change in occupancy classification to R-2.

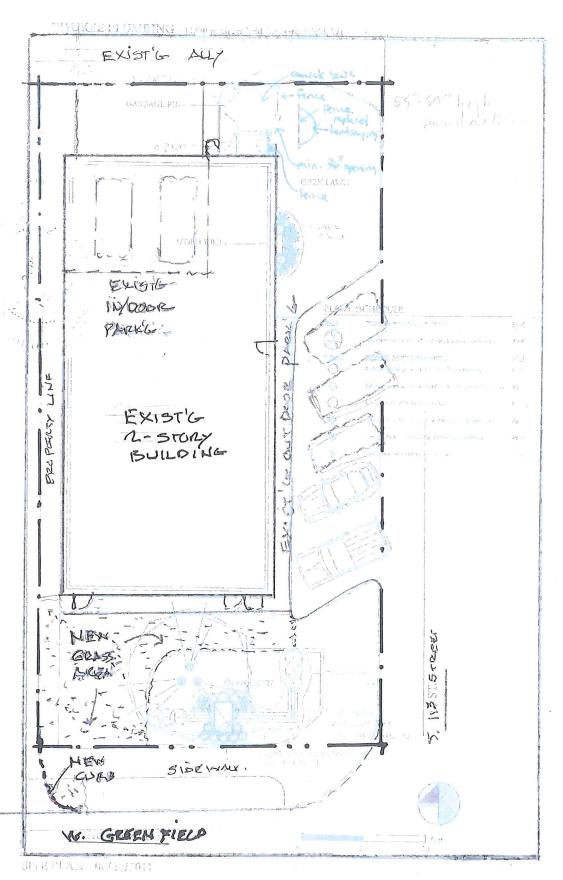
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11300 W. GREENFIELD

SITE PLAN



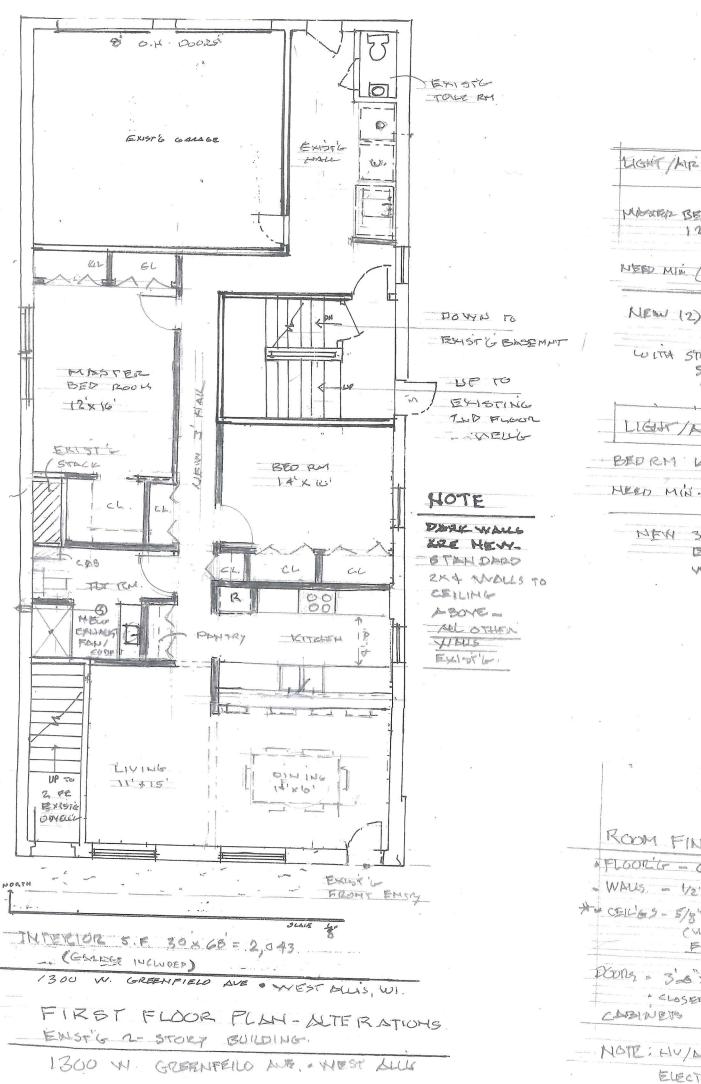
SITE PLAM & 11300 W. GREENEIELD (PARK'G AREAS)

# 11300 W Greenfield Ave





SIDE ELEVATION



GGHT/AIR CODE REQUIRMENT MESTER BED TROOM 12/16 = 292. SF × 8% NED MIN (OPN 6) 23,36 51 NEW 12) - 3K5 D.H E. GLASS WINDOWS LULTH STL. LINTEL (5) - 6" SPACE BETWEEN WINDOWS LIGHT/AIR CODE REQUIRM BEDRM LIXLO = 140 5.E. HEED MIN . (OPN'S)=1220 S.P. NEW 3' X 5' D. W. B. GLAS WINDOW WYITH STE LINTER

ROOM FINITES

FLOOR'S - GIVE WO. LAMINATE

WALLS - 12"GYR 80 / PAINTED

\*\* CEIL'S - 5/8" FIRE COOR CYP.

(WHERE REQUIRED)

EXIST CEILING. GYP.

POORS = 3'08" X C-8" WO. (STAINED)

\* CLOSETS BI FOID

CABINETS BY OWNERS

MOTE: HV/AC, PLUMB'S ELECTRICAL CONTR. TO GET SEPARATE PERMITS.

Shelly Kerwin: Jack Kovnesky 445-0355-000 | 11300-11302 W GREENFIELD AVE

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#### Hi Gerry,

Thanks for calling and converting the existing mixed use (commercial ground floor and upper residence) to a 2-unit dwelling is possible within the C-3 commercial zoning. A <u>building permit</u> is required to change the use of the ground floor space to residential. The alterations and change in use also prompts a <u>Planning & Zoning site review</u>. The submittal of a site/landscaping and architectural plan are required as part of the design review and Plan Commission process.

As you gather more info from the property owner, if you'd like to arrange for a pre-application meeting with Planning and Code Enforcement just let us know.

Here are some initial comments from Planning & Zoning with respect to the property, and the intended change in use:

- 1. Update site/landscaping plan to show site improvements attached is a 2013 site/landscaping plan for MKE Plumbing (existing mixed use).
  - a. Initial recommendations would include: (a) front yard convert paved front yard to greenspace (grass at minimum), (b) part of the existing driveway opening along W. Greenfield Ave (shared with the property to the west), being modified/reduced in size (replace curb and grass terrace along the 11300 W Greenfield Ave. part), (c) remove existing bollards, (d) monument sign removal and replace w/ turf.
  - b. Parking front yard parking will no longer be possible. Explain the intended plan for any off-street tenant parking. The commercial space utilized some parking on the east will also be in  $\ question, \ will \ the \ conversion \ of \ space \ utilize \ garage \ parking \ behind \ the \ building \ off \ the \ alley?$
- 2. Architectural plan Note any exterior updates on an elevation with scope of work. Floor plans being submitted too.
  - a. Will existing awning be removed?
  - b. Are existing garage bays off alley to be used for parking?

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