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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing this letter to you in hopes of receiving your permission to modify the exterior of the building that I own at 179 S. Main Street. My goal is to eventually bring the building back closer to its original appearance. However, the first step of my renovation process is to remove the stone structure on the Northwest corner of the property. This structure was added to accommodate a staircase (which has long since been removed) leading to the second floor, with estimates have it being added in the 1960's. The structure was built using a much different stone than is found anywhere else on the building. The original walls of the building appear to be intact behind the structure. By removing this structure, the building will not only look considerably better, but will be closer to the original building design.

I would like to ask the committee for permission to demolish this structure and leave the original stone of the building behind the structure exposed. I have included two pictures, one from the 1920's and one from the 1940's for your reference, showing the structure not part of the building. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jason Hirko







William Ziegler built this ornate structure with upstairs living quarters around 1900. There was a hardware store on the ground floor that also sold windmills. It became Vogt's Hardware Store in 1907. A basement was dug in the back, and an elevator was installed to move goods to the second floor or to the basement. This 1920 image shows a windmill at the rear of the building.



