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To: JUDITH SPICE
Subject: RE: City of Victoria: Application Review Comments - 1351 VINING ST (BP054514)

From: JUDITH SPICE [REDACTED]
Sent: May 28, 2018 1:56 PM
To: Chelsea Medd <cmedd@victoria.ca>
Subject: Fw: City of Victoria: Application Review Comments - 1351 VINING ST (BP054514)

On May 28, 2018, at 7:25 AM, JUDITH SPICE [REDACTED] > wrote:

Dear Chelsea and Council:

I am writing to ask permission to leave my studio windows facing east and west on my little studio I am converting in a tiny house.

My greatest fear is that without all the light that comes in from these windows and doors, it will turn an otherwise really cute little space into a little house, resembling a dog house with the main light source coming in from the front of the building, which is north facing. This little studio has been like this since 1994, and neighbours on either side, who felt a lack of privacy could easily have planted trees to block the view if privacy were an issue. The east facing neighbours had done this, but last week trimmed their trees down so they now have a great clear view of the studio. The planning department suggested transom windows, but with the design of the roof line, and the height of the neighbours fence. the windows would allow the same amount of visibility in, as do the present set up with the double patio doors.

The double doors on the west facing walls allows a second exit in case of emergency and they also lead out to a small patio area. Both for aesthetic and safety concerns I request that these. in particular be allowed to remain intact.

The windows on the east have shrubs and trees tall enough to block views of the studio.

Again because this building has been here for over twenty years I can not see that it should need to change. If it is a privacy issue, then I am willing to buy trees to line the fence, or to opaque the windows so no one could see in or out.

I request that you reconsider the decision to have these windows and doors removed.

Regards

Judith Spice

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