

October 4, 2020

Rochester Hills HDC

1000 Rochester Hills Dr.

Rochester Hills, Mi. 48309

Re: 1021 Harding

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been a Realtor, in the Rochester area for the past thirty years, and have lived in the area for forty three years.

It has been my responsibility, over these many years, to guide my clients in making the best financial decisions possible, for them and their families.

It is my expert opinion that the property at 1021 Harding, with the current house, and barn on it, significantly reduces the value of the property. The amount of money it would take a buyer to repair, and renovate the home far exceeds the value of the property, even if it were salvageable.

As a longtime resident, Realtor, and former owner of a 1910 home, that we renovated, in downtown Rochester I understand the significance of maintaining the history of an area and also the responsibility that your commission has in maintaining the character of the area. However when a property becomes an eye sore to the community, and it is clear that the cost of renovating is far beyond the owners, or any buyer's, capacity to do so, that must be taken into consideration.

It is clear, in my expert opinion, that the home and barn, at 1021 Harding should be allowed to be taken off of the Historic designation.

Sincerely,

Dianne Gouin

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