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## **San Damiano Property FAQ's- December 2019**

**1. Who owns the "San Damiano" or "Frank Allis House" property at 4123 Monona Drive?**

The home is owned by the St. Norbert Abbey and has been since it was deeded in 1929.

**2. What is the request before the Monona Landmarks Commission?**

The request being considered is for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a demolition permit for a locally landmarked property. If the Landmarks Commission choose to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness it will move to the City's Building Inspector for final review.

**3. Why are the Norbertine's requesting a demolition permit?**

The Norbertine's December 4th statement outlines that "it is no longer feasible to further invest in the house due to maintenance needs requiring substantial investment".

**4. What was the outcome of the December 11<sup>th</sup> Landmarks Commission Meeting?**

The Landmarks Commission voted to table the item until at least their January 8th meeting to gather more information on the property, and to request direct representation from the Abbey.

**5. Is the property designated as a historic landmark?**

The property is a Locally Designated Landmark, and was designated by the City of Monona's Landmarks Commission and City Council in 1979. A proposed nomination to the State and National Register was deemed ineligible given the changes and additions made to the property.

**6. What does the local historic landmarks designation mean?**

The property is subject to the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance ([link](#)).

**7. What are the future plans for the San Damiano property?**

According to the December 4th statement from the Abbey they are not selling the property nor developing it for other purposes.

**8. What is the process for any future development on the site?**

The parcel is located within the Community Design zoning district. This means that any future plans for the site would be considered by the City's Plan Commission, and be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

**9. How can I find out about future meetings on this topic?**

You can visit [www.mymonona.com/sandamiano](http://www.mymonona.com/sandamiano) or follow the Landmarks Commission webpage ([link](#)). Meeting agendas, packets, and minutes will be posted to this page. You can also contact the City Planner Douglas Plowman at 608-222-2525 for more information.