# AGENDA KNOXVILLE HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION KNOX COUNTY HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION MEETING OF JUNE 19, 2008

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- Call to Order
- Introduction of Visitors
- Approval of Minutes May 15, 2008, meeting
- Reports to Commission: Tom Reynolds, Sharon Boyce, Chairman Nic Arning
- Staff Report (Level I Certificates): Ann Bennett
  Discussion of 1018 Scenic Drive: Ann Bennett
  Tom Namey (Owner/Applicant) Certificate No. 60408SCN
  Demolish non-contributing metal shed addition at rear of house, not visible from Scenic, restoring original brick patio.
- Certificates of Appropriateness

#### KNOXVILLE HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION

#### General

623 W. Hill Avenue – Brian Pittman (Applicant) – Certificate No. 60408GEN

## **Work Description**

1) Add garage door to northernmost bay on west elevation to convert one section of basement into garage, taking advantage of existing structural conditions; garage door to be wood with Norman Gothic arches with inset vertically grooved tongue & groove boards, resembling carriage doors. (NOTE: approval of garage opening would modify previously issued Certificate No. 62906GEN.) 2) Repair and reinstall first story front porch rail on south elevation, replacing missing sections and replicating original, with height of 2'9-3/8" and openings between vertical members of 4-1/4"; 2) Install new railing inside newly opened arch on west elevation, replicating vertical openings of existing railing but at 36" height. 3) Redesign front elevation balcony to allow drainage and prevent future rotting, duplicating original railing design with 4-1/4" vertical openings but raising railing height to 36". 4) Allow curb cut for proposed garage. 5) Reinstall basement windows which should have been in brick foundation between the two chimneys on the west elevation.

# **Staff Recommendation**

APPROVE Certificate No. 60408GEN. Proposed changes do not destroy original material, retain significant historic design features such as railings, that do not meet current building codes.

#### **Additional Comments**

The installation of garage doors, while not present in the original building, allows the building to adapt to modern demands, rendering it more marketable, without harming original material which has already been modified.

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## **Edgewood-Park City H-1**

1805 Jefferson – Bobby Braley (Owner/Applicant) – Certificate No. 52808EDG.

# **Work Description**

Replace rotten and missing windows with one over one wood windows. (Emergency issue of Certificate under Level I for replacement windows in order to secure the house - 5/28/2008). Remove oversize composite shingles and restore wood weatherboard siding and wood trim in kind, as necessary. Remove second door added in duplex conversion, and install Craftsman style wood entry door, retaining original transom and sidelights.

## **Staff Recommendation**

APPROVE Certificate No. 52808EDG. Proposed work is consistent with adopted design guidelines.

#### **Additional Comments**

Certificate for window replacement portion of application was issued on 52808 EDG due to applicant's need to secure house quickly. Removal of added siding materials and replacement with wood is called for in Wall coverings, pg. 22, # 2 & #7. Removal of second entrance and restoration of original transoms and sidelights with new door, see Entrances, pg. 20, #1.

# **Market Square H-1**

4 Market Square – Robert Marlino (Smee Busby) (Applicant), 4MC LLC (Owner) – Certificate No. 60508MKT

## **Work Description**

Install two signs. 1) hanging sign, sized 2'6"x3'7", two sided, from simple bracket; 2) hanging blade sign on side wall, 189" (approximately 15'9") long x 37.5" wide with a 6" projection from the building, internally light (using LED illumination) with outline of white light bulbs on perimeter and centered letters internally illuminated in white, and with blue outline on perimeter and flat edge on side and an arrow at bottom to resemble neon sign.

#### **Staff Recommendation**

APPROVE Certificate No. 60508MKT. Proposed front hanging sign is consistent with adopted design guidelines (see Signs, D 2.) Proposed blade sign is not discussed in design guidelines, but is consistent with era and materials for Market Square.

### **Additional Comments**

The proposed blade sign is located on the walkway, off the frontage of Market Square, and uses modern lighting to replicate a neon blade sign typical of the 1920s when the Vogue Building was constructed. Its coloration, shape and lighting will enhance the historic character of Market Square, and will not set a precedent for the remainder of the buildings on the Square since none of them has access to a location removed from the front elevation of the buildings. Neon is discussed as an appropriate lighting for Market Square signs (see Signs, D.5.)

# Adjournment

The next meeting of the Knoxville and Knox County Historic Zoning Commissions will be held on July 17, at 8:30 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building.