



**KNOXVILLE HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION  
STAFF REPORT - CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATION**

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 515 Lovenia Ave 37917

**FILE NO.:** 7-D-15-HZ

**DISTRICT:** Fourth and Gill H-1

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**MEETING DATE:** 7/16/2015

**APPLICANT:** Cindy Rusk (owner)

**LEVEL OF WORK:** Level II. Major repair or replacement of materials or architectural elements

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**PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:** Craftsman (c. 1915)

One-story frame with artificial siding. Hipped roof with front gabled front porch with knee braces. Three-over-one double hung windows, originally with a triplicate on the front elevation, now only a twin set. Off-center entry door. One-story two-thirds front porch with splayed wood posts on brick piers, weatherboard balustrade, brick buttresses at front entry. Exterior side brick chimney. Brick foundation. Rectangular plan. Contributing.

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► **DESCRIPTION OF WORK:**

Level I: Replace rotted tongue-and-groove porch floor boards as needed in-kind. Install wood-framed screen door. (Approved by staff)

Level II: Replace non-original steel 6-panel front door with wood composite Craftsman-design door with 6 small lights at the top and two elongated vertical recessed panels below.

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► **APPLICABLE DESIGN GUIDELINES:**

Fourth and Gill Design Guidelines, adopted by the Knoxville City Council on April 20, 1999 and June 29, 1999.  
ENTRANCES

7. Missing doors should be replaced with new doors appropriate for the style and period of the building. In replacing missing original doors, replacement doors should mimic doors typical for that architectural style, including materials, glazing, and pane configuration.

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**COMMENTS:**

This is an after-the-fact review since the door has already been replaced.

**STAFF FINDINGS:**

1. The house appears to have two front entries according to a c. 1996 survey file photo. The entry opening to the left of the porch center remains and contains the newly replaced door.
  2. The door that was recently replaced was a non-original 6-panel steel door. The wood composite material of the newly installed door appears the same as authentic wood since painted.
  3. No documentation could be discovered as to the original appearance of the door within this entry opening which is covered over in the photo.
  4. The survey file photo indicates that the grouping of openings nearer to the center of the porch contained three openings with 3/1lights. The third opening appears to have been a door with 3 lights to match the muntin configuration of the windows. The current configuration consists of a set of only 2 windows.
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5. The installed door with 6 small lights at the top is of Craftsman style and is appropriate for the era and style of the house.

► **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval to retain the currently installed door and to complete the installation of the door framing.

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS  
KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION**

Please print all information

1. NAME OF APPLICANT: CINDY RUSK

Address: 515 LOVENIA AVE KNOXVILLE TN 37917

Telephone: 865-603-3378 E-mail address: CINDYKRUSK@gmail.com

Relationship to Owner: OWNER

2. NAME OF OWNER: CINDY RUSK

Address: 515 LOVENIA AVE

Telephone: 865-603-3378 E-mail address: CINDYKRUSK@gmail.com

3. LOCATION OF PROPERTY:

Address: 515 LOVENIA AVE Tax ID/Lot/Parcel No: TAX ID NO# 081M4014.00

4. LEVEL OF WORK (circle Level)

- Level I** Routine repair, replacement of non-original materials in-kind; removal of artificial siding or late additions; installation of gutters, storm windows/doors, screen doors, satellite dishes, or signage; demolition of a noncontributing structure
- Level II** Major replacement of materials or architectural elements; construction of addition or outbuilding; renewal of COA
- Level III** Construction of a new primary building; subdivision of property
- Level IV** Demolition or relocation of a contributing structure

5. DESCRIPTION OF WORK: (See Part 2 of this application for additional information that is required for submittal with the application. (A copy of all information which is submitted with an application must be retained by the Knoxville/Knox County Historic Zoning Commission:)

Replacement of Front Door

Add a screen door

Replace rotten board on porch floor (not sure when this will happen)

6. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: Cindy Rusk Date: 6/15/15

Return application to: Knoxville/Knox County Historic Zoning Commission, Suite 403, City/County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. **Incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

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Date Received	Approved	Disapproved	Approved As Modified
Date Acted On			



**515 Lovenia Avenue**  
4-G Historic Overlay

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515 LOVENIA AVE. C. 1996  
ENTRY OPENING ON LEFT  
IS COVERED WITH TEMPORARY  
MATERIAL INDICATING DOOR  
REPLACEMENT. WINDOW GROUPING  
IN MIDDLE SHOWS GROUPING OF 3  
OPENINGS INSTEAD OF THE CURRENT  
2. ONE MAY HAVE BEEN THE  
ORIGINAL DOOR OPENING WITH 3 LIGHTS  
TO MATCH WINDOWS.



515 Lovenia – Front façade from street (windows on door have white marks)



515 Lovenia – Looking NW at front porch



515 Lovenia – Looking SE at front porch



515 Lovenia – recently installed wood composite front door within existing opening