

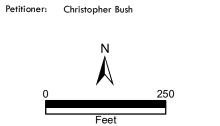




2106 Jefferson Ave. 37917

Edgewood-Park City H

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# **Staff Report**

### **Knoxville Historic Zoning Commission**

File Number: 12-D-21-HZ

Meeting: 12/16/2021

Applicant: Christopher Bush
Owner: Christopher Bush

### **Property Information**

Location: 2106 Jefferson Ave. Parcel ID 82 O A 014

**District:** Edgewood-Park City H

**Zoning:** RN-2 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood)

Description: N/A

Vacant lot.

### **Description of Work**

Level III Construction of New Primary Building

New primary structure fronting Jefferson Avenue. House measures 29' wide by 40' long overall, including a projecting front-gable massing on the right side. The house is proposed to be set 13' from the front property line on the left side, with a 20' by 20' concrete parking pad located at the rear of the property and accessed from the alley.

The one-story house is an interpretation of a Queen Anne cottage characteristic of the block. The house will rest on a stucco-clad CMU foundation, be clad in fiber cement lap siding (smooth-finish, 4" reveal), and feature an asphalt-shingle clad roof. The roof is a 12/12 pitch hipped roof with gable-roof massings projecting to the front (north) and left (east) side. The foundation measures approximately 2' tall at the façade and will be approximately 4' tall towards the rear corners, due to the site topography. All windows are double-hung wood. The front entry is proposed as a fiberglass, three-light Craftsman style door, and the rear door is a steel half-light secondary door. On the façade, the applicant proposes historically-appropriate window trim with sills, with 1" by 4" flat trim on sides and rear. The house also features 4" cornerboards.

The façade (north) is three bays wide featuring a canted two-part window on the left side, a centrally located entry, and a 1.5-story front-gable roof projecting massing on the right side. The façade features two double-hung windows with a diamond-pattern grid on the top sash, a Craftsman-style door, and a third window on the right side. The gable field features half-round fiber cement siding, full cornice returns (3/12 pitch standing seam metal), and a fixed octagonal window (applicant proposes a diamond-pattern window as available, with a single-light fixed octagonal window if diamond pattern is not available).

The façade also features a round projecting porch, measuring approximately 17'-8" by 12'-10" overall. The round porch rests on a poured concrete foundation (1'-6" tall approximately) is supported by 8" by 8" round tapered posts (composite/fiberglass material, base and cap shown in application specs). The porch roof is a 3/12 standing-seam metal with an angled turret-shaped roof above, which connects to the primary roof structure via a projecting roof massing.

The left (east) elevation features a centrally-located projecting front-gable roof massing, with a cornice return of

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3/12 standing-seam metal and a gable field clad in siding to match the main house. One one-over-one, double-hung wood window is located on the front-gable massing. The façade's canted bay wraps around the right side of the elevation, along with the round porch.

The rear (south) elevation features a one-over-one, double-hung wood window and a half-light fiberglass door accessing a 5' by 5' wood deck. Balusters will be inset into top and bottom rails on the deck.

The right (west) elevation features one one-over-one, double-hung wood window.

### **Applicable Design Guidelines**

Edgewood-Park City Design Guidelines, adopted by the Knoxville City Council on July 29, 1997.

#### Roofs

- 1. Make the shape and pitch of roofs on new construction imitate the shape and pitch on roofs on neighboring existing houses or other houses of the same architectural style.
- 2. The eaves on additions or new buildings shall have an overhang that mimics the original eaves. A minimum overhang of at least eight inches should be used on new buildings or additions to existing buildings.
- 3. Repair or replace roof details (chimneys, roof cresting, finials, attic vent windows, molding and other unique roof features). Use some of these details in designing new buildings.
- 4. Materials used in roofing existing buildings or new construction shall duplicate the original roofing materials as much as possible. Asphalt or fiberglass shingles can be appropriate. [...] The color of roofing materials should be a dark green, charcoal gray, black, or dark reddish brown, to simulate original roof colors.

### **Porches**

3. New buildings constructed in Edgewood-Park City must contain front porches large enough to provide seating. The proportion of the porches to the front facades is to be consistent with the historic porches in the neighborhood. Details such as columns, posts, piers, balustrades and porch flooring and ceilings will be built with materials that are consistent in appearance with historic materials.

### **Wall Coverings**

3. New construction shall use materials that duplicate the appearance of neighboring historic buildings, so that the new buildings blend with the fabric of the area. This includes the use of corner and trim boards and appropriate door and window trim. If artificial siding is used on new construction, it must be vented every twelve inches, and must look like 4-inch lap siding unless a different pattern is approved by the HZC.

### **Infill Buildings**

New buildings should be contemporary in spirit. They should not be imitations of buildings of the past; rather, they should respond to the present time, the environment, and the use for which they are intended. New buildings constructed in historic areas should, however, be compatible with older structures and sensitive to the patterns in that environment. The appearance of a building is largely determined by the materials that cover its exterior surface. Similar materials convey continuity and character.

- 1. Maintain the historic façade lines of streetscapes by locating the front walls of new buildings in the same plane as the facades of adjacent buildings. Never violate the setback pattern by placing new buildings in front of or behind the historic setback line or at odd angles to the street.
- 2. Relate the size and proportions of new structures to the scale of adjacent buildings.
- 3. Break up boxlike forms into smaller masses like those of buildings from the historic period. New buildings should be designed with a mix of wall areas with door and window openings in the façade like those found on nearby historic houses. The placement of door and window openings should be imitated.
- 4. Relate the vertical, horizontal, or non-directional façade character of new buildings to the directional alignment of nearby buildings. A new building should reinforce the horizontal and vertical connection between historic houses

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on the street.

- 5. Relate the roof forms of new buildings to those found in the area, duplicating existing roof shapes and pitches.
- 6. New buildings should equal the average height of existing adjacent buildings.
- 7. New housing shall be built with raised foundations or designed to suggest there is a raised foundation equal to those of adjacent buildings.
- 8. In new buildings, the height of roofs and eaves shall conform to adjacent properties. Height of stories, windows and doors must mimic adjacent historic buildings.
- 9. The materials used for new buildings will be consistent in appearance with existing historic building materials along the street.
- 10. Front elevations must be designed with a strong sense of entry.
- 11. Do not reproduce the styles, motifs, or details of historic architecture.

### **Comments**

N/A

### **Staff Findings**

- 1. The house is proposed to be set 13' from the front property line. The average of the blockface is 18'. The front setback should be adjusted to conform to base zoning requirements and be aligned with the adjacent properties. The projecting front-gable massing and porch will assist in creating a consistent front yard space. The house will be placed at a consistent angle to the street with the other houses.
- 2. Parking is proposed to be accessed off the alley and located to the rear of the property. No new curb cuts will be created. Minor modifications to the site plan may be required during permitting to meet City Engineering standards; these could be approved by staff.
- 3. The Queen Anne-cottage form is consistent in size, scale, and massing with the historic houses on the block. The block is characterized primarily by similar style and form houses (with a few modified Craftsman outliers), featuring three-bay facades, and steeply-pitched hipped roofs with projecting front-gable massings. At one story tall, the house will be comparable in height to the context. The applicant should provide the specific roof height to confirm compatibility with roof heights on adjacent properties.
- 4. The proposed design "breaks up boxlike forms into smaller masses" similar to historic houses on the block, using projecting gable-roof massings, a complex roofline, and a mix of wall areas on the façade and side elevations.
- 5. The proposed roof form is clearly related to the historic context, featuring a steeply-pitched hipped roof with projecting front-gable massings. The 12/12 roof pitch meets the design guidelines, along with the asphalt shingle cladding and depicted eave overhangs. The standing-seam metal cornice returns/shed roof in gable field will contribute additional complexity to the design; as a feature generally not typical of historic designs, they are a modest way to differentiate the new construction from historic designs.
- 6. The house incorporates a raised foundation compatible with the historic context. In general, the height of the first story and the placement of windows and doors is compatible with adjacent historic buildings.
- 7. The porch is a unique element in the proposed design. The porch materials (square 8" composite columns, wood flooring, beadboard ceiling) do meet the design guidelines. While a round projecting corner porch is not inappropriate for the context, and could contribute a unique contemporary element to the design, the porch's roof form does not have historic precedent or relate to new buildings. The porch roof structure (asphalt shingle-clad section projecting out from the main house, with empty roof space above the round standing-seam section) is somewhat disproportionate. The porch design should be revised, pending recommendations from the Commission, and the Commission may decide if the revision could be approved by staff or return to the HZC.

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- 8. Guidelines recommend that materials used for new buildings be consistent in appearance with historic building materials along the street. Smooth-finished HardiePlank (fiber cement) siding has been approved on new construction projects in Edgewood-Park City. The 4" exposure is consistent with historic siding patterns, along with the 4" cornerboards. Stucco-clad foundations have also been approved on new construction in the overlay.
- 9. The front elevation incorporates a "strong sense of entry" recommended by the design guidelines. The proposed Craftsman-style door is inconsistent with the Queen Anne cottage form; a door more appropriate for the style should be selected (one-half-light, two-thirds-light, full-light). Fiberglass doors are appropriate for new construction, if they are smooth-finished.
- 10. The proposed windows (one-over-one, double-hung wood) meet the guidelines for materials. Guidelines recommend designing new construction with consistent placement of door and window openings, with the intent of achieving sufficient transparency on all elevations. Proposed window placement on the façade is consistent with the historic context; the canted corner window is a unique form, but does not detract from the overall design of the house and contributes complexity to the façade. 1-2 additional windows are necessary on the right (west) elevation to avoid large swaths of siding with no transparency.
- 11. The applicant has incorporated simple but historically-appropriate window trim on the façade windows. Instead of the flat "picture frame" trim with no sills proposed for the side and rear windows, the façade window trim (or at least, the addition of window sills) should be incorporated in all windows.

### Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 12-D-21-HZ, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Final site plan and parking to meet City Engineering standards, with modifications to be approved by staff;
- 2) Front setback to be modified to be consistent with average of blockface and adjacent properties, final site plan to be approved by staff;
- 3) Select a front door more appropriate for Queen Anne cottage design, with approval by staff;
- 4) Add one or two additional windows to right (west) elevation and apply façade's window trim to all windows (or at least incorporate window sills), with approval by staff;
- 5) Revisions to front porch design; HZC to designate approval by staff or revised design to return to Commission.

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Applicant Signature

### DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

DOWNTOWN DESIGN (DK) HISTORIC ZONING (H) INFILL HOUSING (IH) Roots Residential Company, LLC **Applicant** 12-D-21-HZ 11/29/2021 12/16/2021 Date Filed Meeting Date (if applicable) File Number(s) CORRESPONDENCE All correspondence related to this application should be directed to the approved contact listed below. ■ Owner ■ Contractor □ Engineer □ Architect/Landscape Architect Christopher Bush Roots Residential Company, LLC Name Company PO Box 82 Louisville TN 37777 Address City State Zip 865.567.0947 chris@rootshomes.com Phone Email **CURRENT PROPERTY INFO** 301 Lambert Lane/ Maryville, TN/ 37803 865.680.2147 (agent) **Gary Harris** Owner Name (if different from applicant) Owner Address Owner Phone 2106 Jefferson Ave 0820A014 **Property Address** Parcel ID Hazens Hill Addn RN-2 (Historic Overlay) Neighborhood Zoning **AUTHORIZATION** Lindoay Crockett
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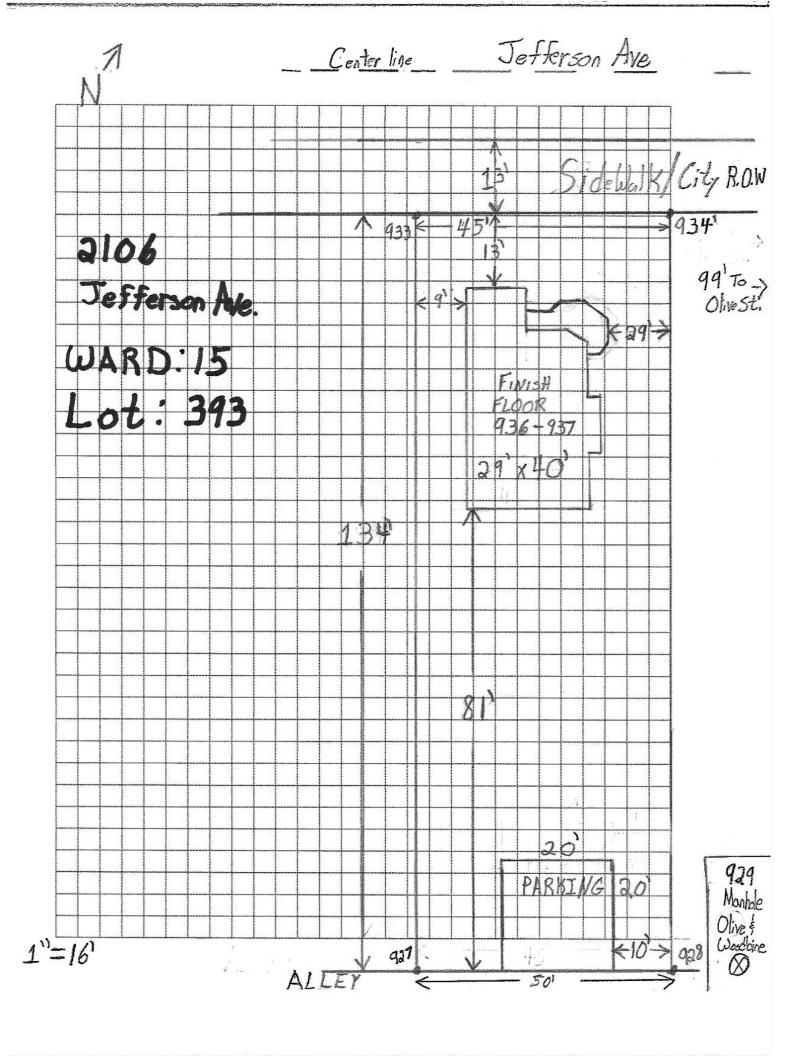
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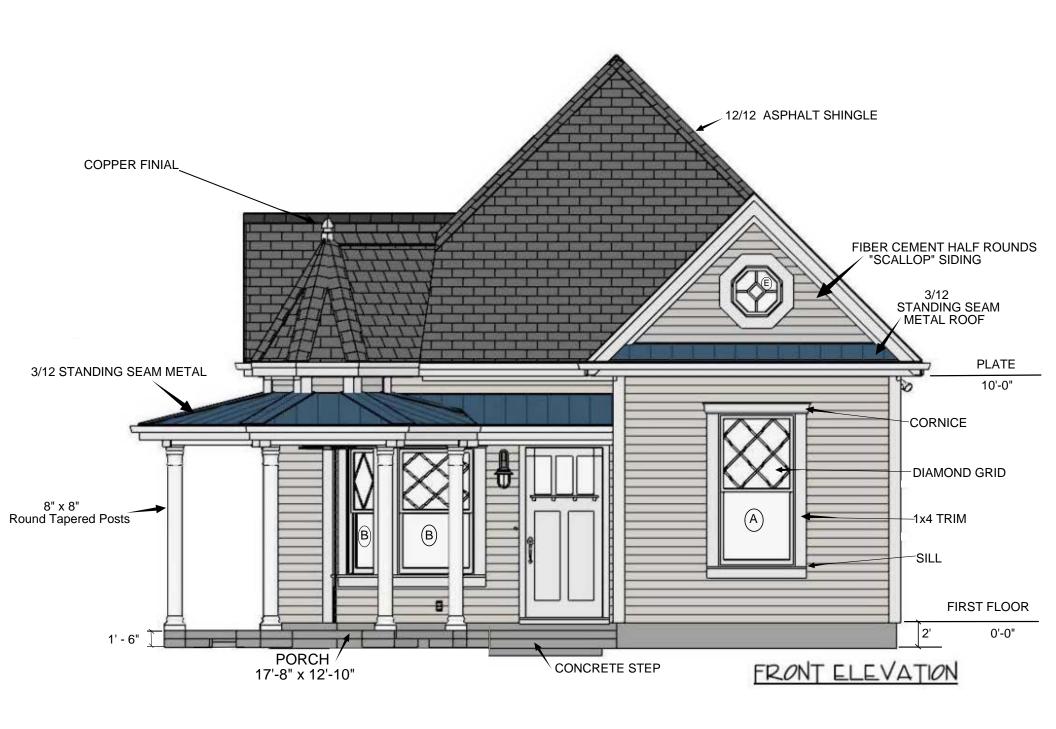
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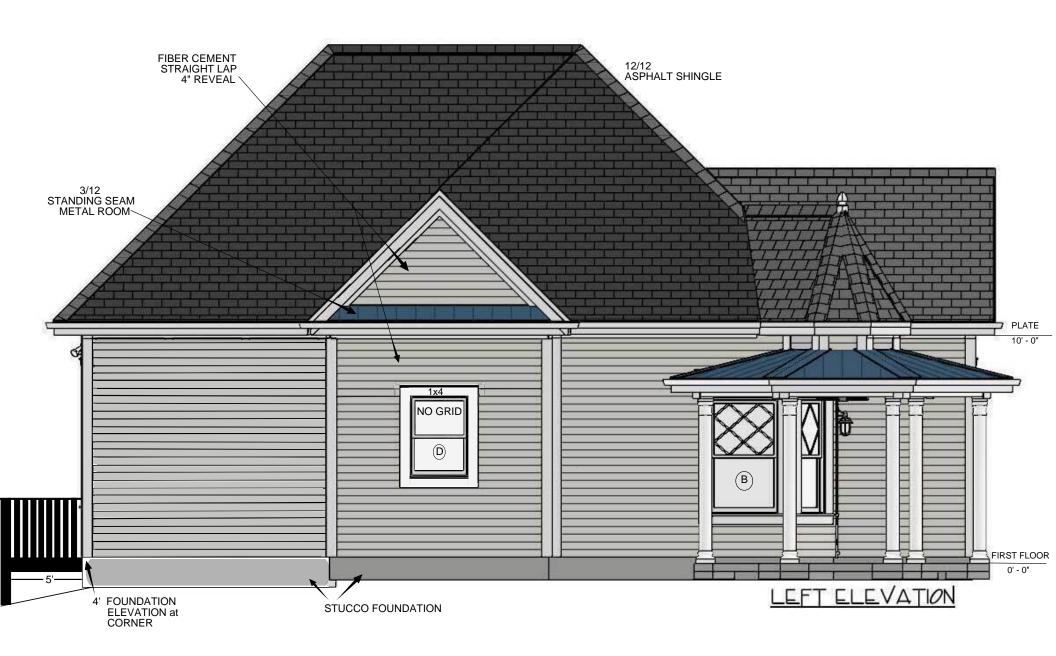
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HISTORIC ZONING	Level 1:  Signs Routine repair of siding, windows, roof, or other features, in-kinclevel 2:  Major repair, removal, or replacement of architectural elements or material Level 3:  Construction of a new primary building  Level 4:  Relocation of a contributing structure Demolition of a contributing structure Demolition of a contributing structure Brief description of work:  See required Historic Zoning attachment for more details.	als	
INFILL HOUSING	Level 1:  Driveways, parking pads, access point, garages or similar facilities  Sulevel 2:  Additions visible from the primary street  Changes to porches visible for the Level 3:  New primary structure  Site built  Modular  Multi-Sectional  See required Infill Housing attachment for more details.  Brief description of work:		
STAFF USE ONLY	ATTACHMENTS  ☐ Downtown Design Checklist ☐ Historic Zoning Design Checklist ☐ Infill Housing Design Checklist  ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS ☐ Property Owners / Option Holders  Level 1: \$50 • Level 2: \$100 • Level 3: \$250 • Level 4: \$500	FEE 1: 250.00 FEE 2:	<b>TOTAL:</b> 250.00

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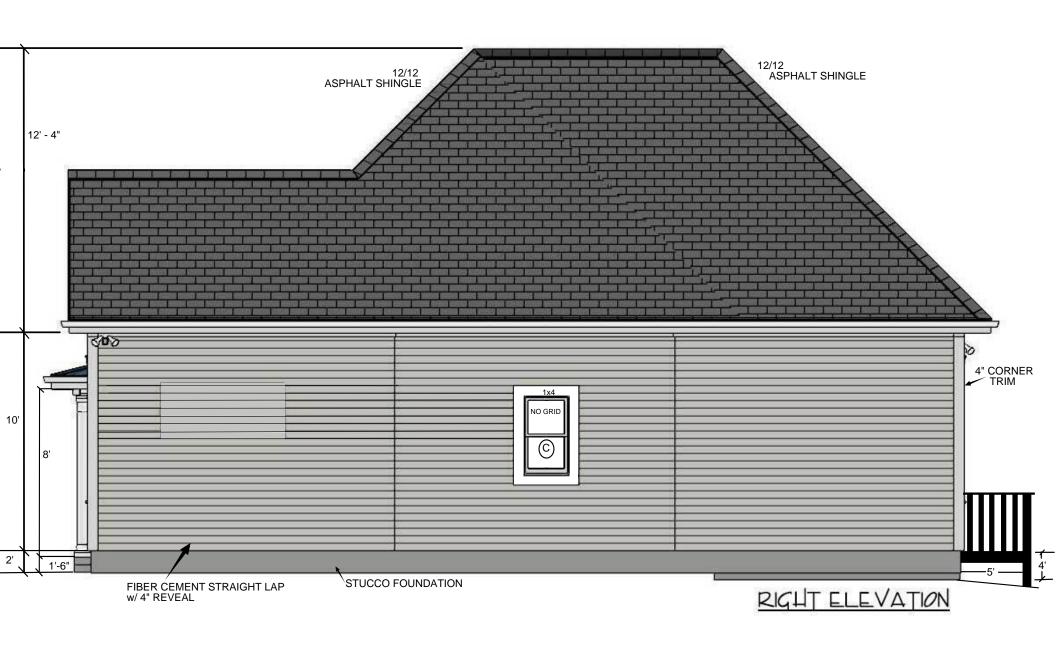
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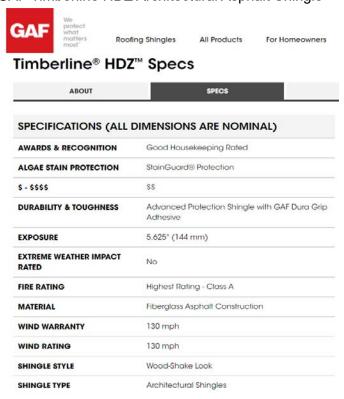




# 2106 Jefferson Ave. Architectural Specifications

### **Primary Roof**

• GAF Timberline HDZ Architectural Asphalt Shingle



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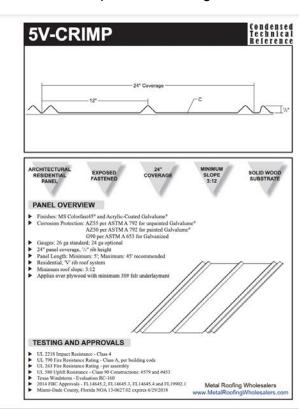


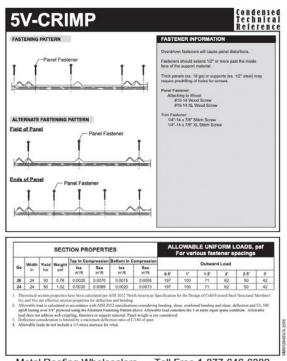
• Back-Up Color: Pewter Grey



# Front Porch & Gable Eyebrow Roofs

- 5V Crimp Standing Seam metal roof
- 24"wide panel with ½" high ribs and 12" spacing





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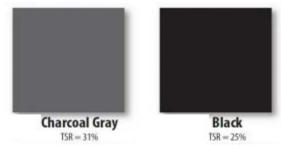
Color: Copper



# Copper Metallic ‡

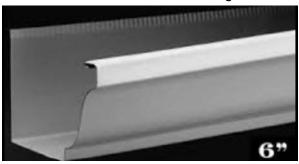
TSR = 46%

• Back-Up Color: Black or Grey (match primary roof)



### **Gutters**

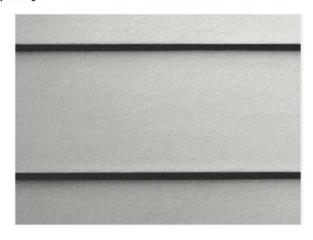
• 6 inch seamless aluminum gutters and downspouts



# Siding

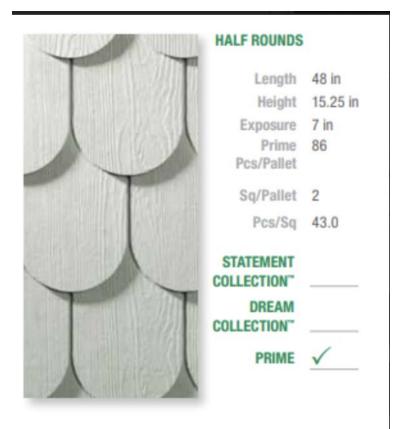
- Main Body
  - o Hardie straight lap with 4" reveal, smooth texture, color TBD

Smooth Lap Siding



Smooth Width	Exposure	Thickness	Length	Pcs/Square	Warehouse Stock	Special Orders
5-1/4"	4"	5/16"	12'	25	Primed	All Hardie Colors
6-1/4"	5"	5/16"	12'	20	Primed	All Hardie Colors
7-1/4"	6"	5/16"	12'	17	Primed	All Hardie Colors
8-1/4"	7"	5/16"	12'	15	Primed, White	All Hardie Colors
9-1/4"	8"	5/16"	12'	13	Primed	All Hardie Colors
12"	10.75"	5/16"	12'	10	Primed	All Hardie Colors

- o Front Gable
- Hardie "½ round" or "scallop" shingle siding



- Left Elevation Gable
  - o Hardie straight lap with 4" reveal, smooth texture
- Corner Trim
  - o Hardie 4" smooth, flat
- Window Trim
  - 3 windows on front porch and the front elevation bedroom window to be 4" trim with cornice and sill per elevation drawings



- Remaining windows on sides and rear to be flat 4" trim
- Context: Want to add some architectural detail to windows on front elevation for curb appeal. Side and rear elevations are not seen from the road and there will be no windows on the same elevation with different trim detail. Similar trim styles on street/neighborhood to match both styles, not uncommon in historic houses to have more formal or detailed trim in common areas and basic styling elsewhere.
- Back-Up Option: IF all window trim must match, then 4" flat trim around all windows on the house.
- Front Door Trim:
  - o Hardie 4" smooth, flat trim around door
- Back Door Trim:
  - Hardie 4" smooth, flat trim
- Soffit/Fascia:
  - Hardie vented soffit
  - Hardie fascia board
- Gable Frieze Board:
  - o Hardie 4" smooth, flat trim in each gable

### Front Porch Trim

- Poured concrete slab
- Columns
  - Composite 8" x 8" tapered columns with base & cap

### Specifications

### Dimensions

Product Depth (in.)	7,625	Product Height (in.)	96
Product Width (in.)	7.625		

### Details

Color Family	White	Color/Finish	white
Columns & Accessories Product Type	Column	Features	No Additional Features
Load bearing limit (lb.)	4600	Material	Composite
Product Weight (lb.)	72 lb	Shape	Round
Stair Part Type	Column		

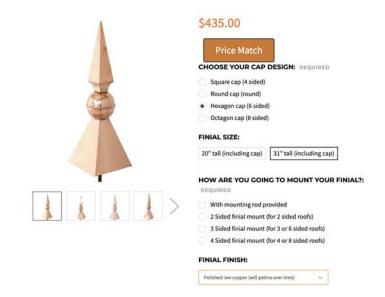
### Warranty / Certifications

Warranty	Limited Lifetime



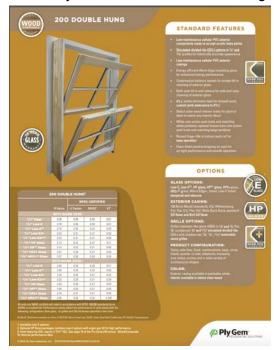


- Wood beadboard ceiling
- Ceiling Fan
- Porch Roof Finial
  - o Copper 31" finial with cap
  - https://ecoastweathervanes.com/welsh-finial-with-cap/



### Windows & Doors

- Sizes indicated on elevations
- All are Ply-Gem 200 series double hung wood windows



- Octagon window in front gable is fixed
  - I am searching but haven't found an exact match to the grid detail as shown in the elevations. If unable to find an exact match I do believe I can find a diamond pattern that coordinates with the diamond pattern grids of the other windows.
  - o Back-Up: If an exact pattern must be provided then my back-up option is no grids

- 3 windows on front porch & front elevation bedroom window to have diamond pattern window grids in the top window sash only.
- Windows on the side and rear elevations will have no window grids
- Context: Want to add architectural detail to the front elevation for curb appeal. Side and rear elevations are not seen from the street and no windows with different grid patterns on the same elevation. Not uncommon for historic houses to have more trim detail and styling in common areas and basic styling elsewhere.
- Back-up Option: If all windows must be the same then my back-up option is windows with no grids
- Front Door
  - o 3/0 x 6/8 fiberglass door with 3 lite



- Back door
  - o 2/8 x 6/8 steel 9 lite



# Foundation

• Stucco foundation

### **Back Porch**

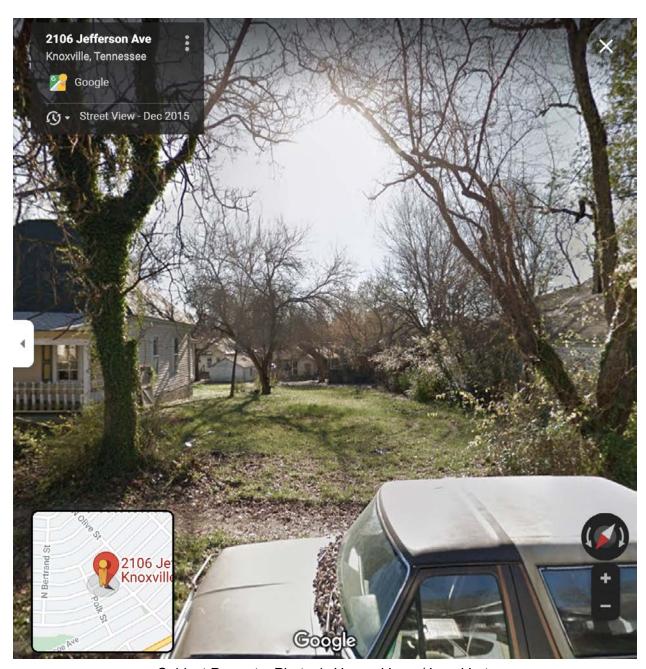
• 5'x5 deck porch with inset balusters

# Sidewalks

• Concrete sidewalk from house to City sidewalk/ Right of Way

# Parking

Gravel



Subject Property: Photo 1- Unused Lane/ Level Lot



Subject Property: Photo 2- Level Lot Suitable for Building



Subject Property: Photo 3- Lot Line

### 2106 Jefferson Avenue: Brief Description of Work

Roots Residential Company is proposing a new construction single story home to meet all criteria of the Historical Zoning Commission and that is inline with all pre-existing structures on the block.

### 2106 Jefferson Avenue: Precedent for Design

The proposal for this new construction home is inspired by the Queen Anne homes on the block. This particular proposal is a modern interpretation of a Victorian Cottage and will compliment the street in design, selections, and structure.