



# **Staff Report**

**Knoxville Historic Zoning Commission** 

File Number: 5-H-24-HZ

Meeting:	5/16/2024		
Applicant:	William Pearson		
Owner:	William Pearson		

#### **Property Information**

Location: 129 E. Oklahoma Ave.

Parcel ID 81 N G 009

District: Old North Knoxville H

**Zoning:** RN-1 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood)

Description: Queen Anne, c.1895

Two-story frame residence with a hipped roof with paired front-gable dormers projecting to the front elevation. Two-story, three-quarter width front porch with round wood columns.

#### **Description of Work**

Level II Major Repair or Replacement

Proposed removal of brick masonry chimney on rear (northwest) roof slope. Two brick masonry chimneys on front roof slope will receive masonry repairs and custom caps. The scope of work also includes repair to the existing roof where the chimney will be removed.

### **Applicable Design Guidelines**

Old North Knoxville Design Guidelines, adopted by the Knoxville City Council on November 25, 2004.

Roofs

3. Repair or replace roof details (chimneys, roof cresting, finials, attic vent windows, molding, bargeboards, and other unique roof features).

Masonry

4. Identify and preserve masonry features that define the historic character of the building, including walls, railings, foundations, chimneys, columns and piers, cornice and door and window pediments.

#### Comments

N/A

### **Staff Findings**

1. 129 E. Oklahoma Ave is a contributing resource to the Old North Knoxville National Register Historic District and local historic overlay.

2. Demolition of original or historic chimneys is evaluated on a case-by-case basis, depending on the condition of the chimneys, their location and design, and visibility from the primary street.

3. The proposed chimney to be removed is a secondary chimney, smaller in size than the primary chimneys on the front roof slope, and located on the rear roof slope. The chimney is minimally visible from the right-of-way on Oklahoma Ave.

4. The two chimneys on the primary roof slope will be retained, and will receive masonry repair, repointing, waterproofing, and new chimney caps.

### Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 5-H-24-HZ as submitted.



### DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

□ DOWNTOWN DESIGN (DK)

HISTORIC ZONING (H)

□ INFILL HOUSING (IH)

William Pearson

Applicant		
04/16/2024	May 16, 2024	5-H-24-HZ
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### **CORRESPONDENCE**

All correspondence related to this application should be directed to the approved contact listed below.

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#### William Pearson

Name		Company		
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Address		City	State	Zip
865-809-8792 wtpearson@gmail.com				
Phone	one Email			

### **CURRENT PROPERTY INFO**

William Pearson	129 E Oklahoma Ave		865-809-8792
Owner Name (if different from applicant)	Owner Address		Owner Phone
129 E Oklahoma Ave		081NG009	
Property Address		Parcel ID	
Old North Knoxville		RN-2 / H1	
Neighborhood		Zoning	

### AUTHORIZATION

Lindsay	Crockett	Lindsay Crockett	4.17.24
Staff Signature 🧳		Please Print	Date
		Will Pearson	04/16/2024

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## REQUEST

DOWN LOWIN DESIGN	Level 1:   Signs   Alteration of an existing building/structure   Level 2:   Addition to an existing building/structure   Level 3:   Construction of new building/structure   See required Downtown Design attachment for more details.   Brief description of work:
HISIORIC ZOINING	Level 1:         Signs       Routine repair of siding, windows, roof, or other features, in-kind; Installation of gutters, storm windows/doors         Level 2:       Major repair, removal, or replacement of architectural elements or materials       Additions and accessory structures         Level 3:       Construction of a new primary building         Level 4:       Demolition of a contributing structure       Demolition of a contributing structure         See required Historic Zoning attachment for more details.       Brief description of work: Removal of old deteriorated chimney below the roofline to remediate water intrusion. The chimney will be disassembled to a level below the roofline and the roof will be sealed and repaired with matching shingles. The two primary fireplace chimneys will remain in place and receive masonry repairs and custom metal caps installed. See attached documents for additional details.
	Level 1:         Driveways, parking pads, access point, garages or similar facilities       Subdivisions         Level 2:         Additions visible from the primary street       Changes to porches visible from the primary street         Level 3:         New primary structure         Site built       Modular         Multi-Sectional         See required Infill Housing attachment for more details.         Brief description of work:

	ATTACHMENTS	FEE 1:	TOTAL:
١٢	Downtown Design Checklist	100	100
6	Historic Zoning Design Checklist	FEE 2:	_
JSE	Infill Housing Design Checklist		
STAFF USE ONLY	ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS		
STA	Property Owners / Option Holders	FEE 3:	
	Level 1: \$50 • Level 2: \$100 • Level 3: \$250 • Level 4: \$500		

Hello, my name is Will Pearson and I reside at 129 E Oklahoma Ave. We are having some water intrusion issues with one of our chimneys, which is badly deteriorated. I had Ashbusters Chimney Service come out for an Inspection and their recommendation is removal of the damaged chimney below the roofline.

The chimney in question is an old wood stove or furnace chimney that is not visible from the street. Our house has two additional large chimneys that we would like to repair (but not remove). The damaged chimney will be disassembled to a level below and the roof and capped with masonry cement. The roof hole will be repaired with new plywood sheathing, water shield, and new matching shingles.

The two primary fireplace chimneys will receive a full exterior masonry restoration. This includes repair to any parts of damaged masonry on the chimneys, by tuck pointing them, repouring or repairing the concrete at the top, applying a heavy duty waterproofing material to the masonry to help keep water from absorbing above the roofline, and then installing full coverage caps on the chimneys to protect the chimneys.



