



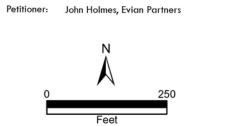
## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS



1724 Highland Ave. 37916

Ft. Sanders NC

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# **Staff Report**

## **Knoxville Historic Zoning Commission**

File Number: 10-H-24-HZ

Meeting: 10/17/2024

**Applicant:** John Holmes, Evian Partners **Owner:** John Holmes, Evian Partners

### **Property Information**

**Location:** 1724 Highland Ave. Parcel ID 94 N L 011

**District:** Ft. Sanders NC

**Zoning:** RN-5 (General Residential Neighborhood)

Description: Craftsman, c.1925

1.5-story frame residence with a side gable-roof, an exterior of wood lap siding, and a partial-width front-gable roof

porch.

### **Description of Work**

Level II Construction of Addition or Outbuilding, Major Repair or Replacement

Exterior rehabilitation and dormer addition. Existing rear addition to be partially removed. Exterior staircase on the side elevation to be removed.

Exterior rehabilitation scopes include the removal of existing siding and the installation of new fiber cement lap siding, repair and replacement in patches to the brick foundation, and replacement of windows and doors. New window on the façade. The front porch will be reconstructed; the partial-width front gable roof will be reconstructed as a front-gable roof porch that extends the full length of the façade (reflected by existing foundation). The porch will feature four tapered brick columns and a new railing.

New rear dormer addition. Clipped-gable roof dormer to be added to rear roof slope, featuring an exterior clad in lap and shingle siding and two pairs of double-hung windows on the rear elevation.

## **Applicable Design Guidelines**

Fort Sanders NC-1, adopted by the Knoxville City Council on September 13, 2000.

- A. Height, Scale, & Massing
- 1. Foundation heights should be consistent with other pre-1940 buildings in the neighborhood.
- 2. Single-family detached infill housing should be proportional to other pre-1940 houses in terms of height and width.
- B. Roofs
- 1. Select a roof pitch that is in keeping with other pre-1940 houses of the neighborhood, not being less than an 8/12 pitch.
- 2. Use variations in the form of the roof above the second story such as gables at different angles, hipped roofs, and dormers.
- 3. Use roofing materials that are in keeping with the historic development styles. Asphalt, shingle, tile, pressed

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metal, and slate were used.

4. Darker shades of shingles were historically used and should be selected in new construction.

#### C. Porches

1. Provide porches with proportions and materials that complement pre-1940 housing. For clapboard-type construction, wood is the most appropriate primary material. Brick or cut stone are appropriate as foundations or in column supports.

#### D. Wall Materials

- 2. Clapboard (or clapboard-like materials such as aluminum or vinyl, shingle (or shingle-like material), or brick should be used.
- 5. In making additions to existing buildings, wall cladding should complement the original wall covering.
- 6. Materials that are not typical in pre-1940 construction should not be used. These include cinder block, T-111 siding, and stone facing.
- E. Windows and Entrances
- 1. Window proportions and symmetry should be similar to the pre-1940 styles in the neighborhood.
- 2. Windows should be double-hung sash windows. Vinyl or metal-clad may be used in place of wood frame windows.
- 2 [sic]. Egress windows will have to be designed to comply with fire/building code provisions.
- 6. The proportions of upper level windows should not exceed the proportion of the first level.
- 7. Upper level windows should be provided and aligned with doors.
- 8. There should be at least 50% transparency that is created by windows or French doors and balconies on the recessed breaks between sections of buildings, including buildings joined together.
- 9. Entrances to the building should be provided from the street, using doors that have similar proportions and features to pre-1940 architecture.
- 10. When parking areas are provided behind buildings, rear entrances are also allowed.

#### F. Parking

- 1. In new building construction, the front yard space shall not be used for parking. Do not break up curbs or sidewalks to provide street access.
- 2. Provide parking access off the alley or off a side street.
- 7. Surface parking area shall always be to the rear of the building.
- G. Landscaping, Fencing, & Retaining Walls
- 1. Plant one native shade tree (e.g. oak or maple) and one ornamental tree (e.g. dogwood) in both the front and rear yards for every 50 feet of lot width.
- H. Additions to Existing Buildings
- 1. Additions should be made to the rear or side of the building.
- 3. Transitional space shall be provided between the addition and the existing structure. This should include a courtyard (200 sq. ft. minimum), and a connecting structure (e.g. porch or breezeway). The wall of the new connecting structure should not be continuous with the wall of the existing building, but have a minimum 4' by 6' indentation.
- 4. Bays at least two feet in depth shall be provided for 50% of the side façade.
- 5. Windows or French doors and balconies shall provide 10% to 20% transparency on the sides of buildings.

#### **Comments**

N/A

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### **Staff Findings**

- 1. 1724 Highland Ave is a contributing resource to the Fort Sanders National Register Historic District and local NC overlay.
- 2. The application includes the removal of the existing wood siding, and the installation of new fiber cement lap siding which meets the Fort Sanders design guidelines. The existing house has a Tudor Revival-style siding on side gable fields, with shingles in the porch gables and the lower bay on the left side elevation. The project should incorporate appropriately sized vertical cornerboards and window trim. Only the porch roof includes triangular Craftsman-style brackets on the existing house; such details should be incorporated in the new porch roof.
- 3. The application includes removing the partial-width, front-gable roof front porch and reconstructing a new porch with a full-length front-gable roof and three tapered brick-clad columns to match the existing. Based on the 1924 (revised 1950) Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, the width of the existing porch roof is original. The brick knee wall on the right side looks to be a later addition. The porch width, roof pitch, and roof design (including elements such as eave overhangs, fascia boards, and decorative brackets) should be retained in reconstructing the porch.
- 4. The window pattern on the side elevations, including the projecting bay on the left side elevation with four adjoining double-hung windows, will be retained. An extra window is proposed for the right bay of the façade; the façade window and door arrangement should be retained.
- 5. In general, the placement of a new addition on the rear roof slope is appropriate within the design guidelines. The height of the new dormer addition should not exceed the roof peak of the house's original side-gable roof, to reduce visibility from the street. The applicant should clarify the proposed siding for the rear dormer; elevations show shingles on the side and lap siding on the rear, and one siding material may be preferable for design consistency.
- 6. Final modifications to the site plan will be necessary to meet City Engineering standards for parking. The house and parking should remain within the impervious surface requirements for the base zoning. The final site plan could be approved by staff, provided there are no substantial modifications to the addition's design and placement.

### **Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 10-H-24-HZ, subject to the following conditions: 1) final site plan to meet City Engineering standards and requirements of the base zoning; 2) porch width, roof pitch, and roof design of existing/original porch to be retained; 3) omission of the new window proposed for the façade; 4) height of new dormer addition to be at or beneath the roof peak of the main roofline.

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## DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

☐ DOWNTOWN DESIGN (DK)

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John Holmes					
Applicant					
9/19/24	10/17/2024				
Date Filed	Meeting Date (if applicab	le)	File Number	-(s)	
CORRESPONDENCE					
All correspondence related to this applicatio			ted below.		
Owner Contractor Engineer	☐ Architect/Landscape /	Architect			
John Holmes					
Name		Company			
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Phone	Email				
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Owner Name (if different from applicant)	Owner Address		Ow	ner Phone	
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Property Address		Parcel ID			
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Neighborhood		Zoning			
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## **REQUEST**

DOWNTOWN 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 ☐ Site design, parking, plazas, I  See required Downtown Design attachment for more details. ☐ Brief description of work:	andscape	
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 Replace Brief description of work: new siding, new roof, fascia, soffits, all exterior replace Replace brick foundation Rebuild front stairs, porch and railings, remove all shutters Remove old addition, shrink building depth by 2' and build rear dormer.	ls  Additions and accessory s	tructures
INFILL HOUSING			
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: 100 FEE 2: FEE 3:	TOTAL: 100

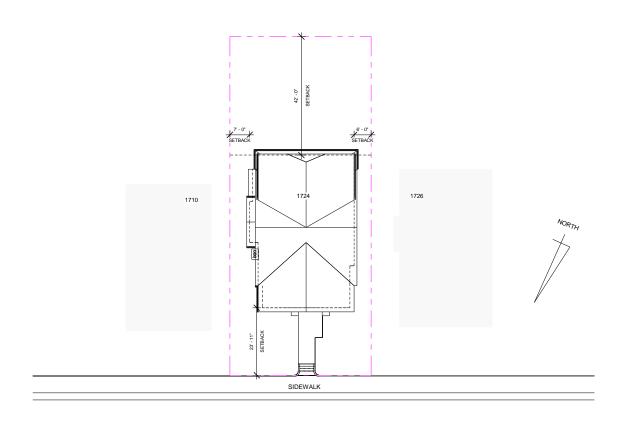
## PROPOSED DWELLING AT 1708 HIGHLAND AVE







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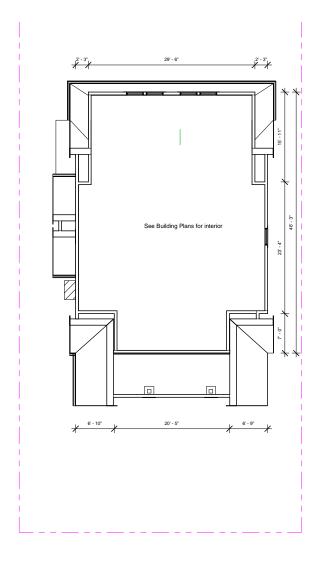


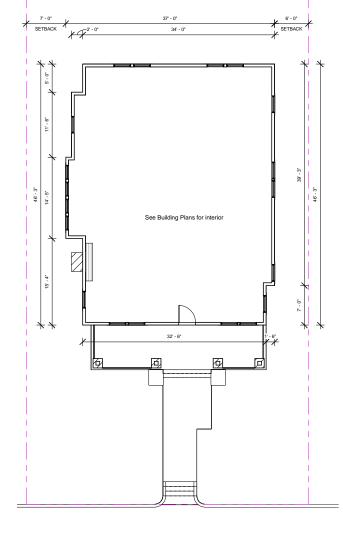
## HIGHLAND AVE

CENTERLINE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY

1 SITE PLAN 1/16" = 1'-0"

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1) FIRST FLOOR 1/8" = 1'-0"

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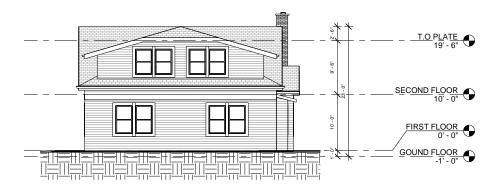
PRONT ELEVATION

1/8" = 1'-0"



SIDE ELEVATION 1 1/8" = 1'-0"

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2 REAR ELEVATION 1/8" = 1'-0"



1) SIDE ELEVATION 2 1/8" = 1'-0"

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