



# **Staff Report**

## **Knoxville Historic Zoning Commission**

File Number: 6-I-24-HZ

**Meeting:** 9/19/2024

Applicant: CPM Partners LLC

Owner: CPM Partners LLC

### **Property Information**

**Location:** 916 Luttrell St. Parcel ID: 81 M L 017

**District:** Fourth and Gill H

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

Description: Colonial Revival, c.1925

Two-story, hipped-roof residence with an exterior clad in brick veneer and a two-story, front-gable roof porch

supported by brick-clad columns.

### **Description of Work**

Level II Major Repair or Replacement

Exterior rehabilitation to two-story, shed-roof massing on the rear elevation. The existing shed-roof section included a small upper-story porch, enclosed by a vinyl-sided railing and supported by square wood posts, with a small projecting shed roof with exposed rafter tails below, and an enclosed porch section on the first story which projects out over a basement access on the primary house massing. The first story was enclosed with vinyl siding and featured four windows on the rear elevation. A fire escape extends from the first story to the ground level.

Revised drawings provided for the September meeting show the shed roof over the first story extending the full length of the rear elevation. The first story will feature two double-hung, one-over-one windows (re-used from existing). On the second story, a shed-roof porch will project over the left half of the rear elevation. Foundation, fire escape stairs, and access doors will remain.

Scope of work also includes removal of rear roof cladding, removal existing wood fascia and soffit and replacement with new wood soffits, and the installation of new fiber cement siding with a smooth-finished, 4" exposure. The applicant also proposes to reconstruct the railing on the façade second-story porch, restoring the railing to measure 36" tall.

## **Applicable Design Guidelines**

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

1. Repair porches on historic houses using wood floors, balustrades, porches and columns, or replace duplicating the original size and design. Reconstruction of the documented original porch is also appropriate.

#### Roofs

1. The shape and pitch of roofs on new construction should imitate the shape and pitch of roofs on neighboring existing houses or other houses of the same architectural style. Replacement roofs should copy the shape and pitch

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of original roofs, and the soffit, fascia, and trim detail between roof and wall should mimic the original.

4. Materials used in roofing existing buildings or new construction should duplicate the original roofing materials if possible. Asphalt or fiberglass shingles can be appropriate, as are slate, standing seam metal, or metal shingle roof coverings.

#### Windows

- 1. Vinyl and aluminum replacement windows should not be used.
- 3. If replacement windows are necessary, they should be the same overall size as the originals, with the same pane division, and the same muntin style and exterior depth, width, and profile. False muntins or grids should not be used.

#### **Comments**

N/A

### Staff Findings

- 1. 916 Luttrell Street is a contributing resource to the Fourth & Gill National Register Historic District and local overlay.
- 2. The project was initiated without permits or a COA and postponed by the HZC in June 2024 to allow the applicant to provide clear drawings of all exterior work to be completed.
- 3. The multi-story porch/fire escape access/interior space on the rear elevation is not entirely an original element of the house. However, a two-story rear massing with a one-story porch and an exterior stair is visible on the 1950 Sanborn Fire Insurance map. The rear elevation is highly modified and the original configuration is not evident from any visual evidence.
- 4. Fiber cement siding has not typically been approved as a replacement material on original houses, only approved for new additions, new construction, or new secondary structures. Wood lap siding with a 4-5" exposure pattern should be used as the siding material instead of the fiber cement as shown.
- 5. As the windows proposed for enclosure on the first story are not original elements and not visible from the street, enclosure is appropriate within the design guidelines. The two windows located towards the right side will be re-installed from the existing windows.
- 6. While restoring a railing to meet building code requirements can be appropriate within the guidelines, especially when the railing may not be original to the structure, a railing detail drawing should be provided to staff for review. The railing should feature balusters set into the top and bottom rails.

#### Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 6-I-24-HZ, subject to the following conditions: 1) wood lap siding to be installed instead of fiber cement lap siding; 2) a railing detail be submitted to staff for approval prior to replacement of the front elevation balustrade.

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# DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

DOWNTOWN DESIGN (DK)

HISTORIC ZONING (H)

☐ INFILL HOUSING (IH)

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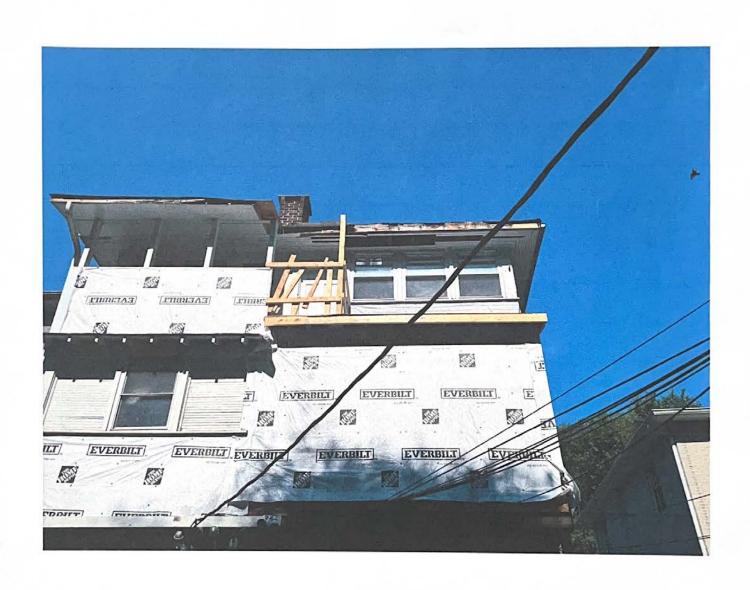
# REQUEST

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, landscape  See required Downtown Design attachment for more details.    Brief description of work: Remore viry   Siding on previous rear addition and replace with hardeboard Remove previous roof a back porch addition from rear of apartment 3. Emergency exit to stairs win remain. Remove I window from rear of Aractment 1, 2 windows will remain. Front Parch railing on top floor to be built up to 36" per building code.					
HISTORIC ZONING	Level 1:  Signs Routine repair of siding, windows, roof, or other features, in-kind; Installation of gutters, storm windows/doors  Level 2:					
INFILLHOUSING	Level 1:  Driveways, parking pads, access point, garages or similar facilities  Level 2:  Additions visible from the primary street Changes to porches visible 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:  FEE 2:	TOTAL:			



Sold: \$795,000 (-- beds, -- baths, 3,826 Square Feet)

- Rear exterior prior to improvements



- Exterior revisions



- Current front railing



- Current rotted wood soffit



NEW FIBER CEMENT BOARD WITH ± 4" EXPOSURE MATCHING EXISTING LAP SIDING

- NEW SHINGLES TO MATCH EXISTING

EXIST NG ROOF

REPLACE EXISTING FIRE ESCAPE HANDRAIL TO MEET CODE

-EXISTING FIRE ESCAPE STAIRCASE TO REMAIN

REPAIR/REPLACE
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NECESSARY

NEW DOWNSPOUT

NEW FIBER CEMENT
BOARD WITH ± 4"
EXPOSURE MATCHINE
EXISTING LAP SIDING

EXISTING STUCCO -

1 FRONT ELEVATION 1/4" = 1'-0" DRAWN BY: KG

EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS

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