



Staff Report

Knoxville Historic Zoning Commission

File Number: 7-E-25-HZ

| Meeting: | 7/17/2025 | | | |
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| Applicant: | nt: Cody Grooms, George Armour Ewart Architects | | | |
| Owner: | SRJ Investments LLC | | | |
| Property In | formation | | | |
| Location: | 310 13th St. | Parcel ID 94 L M 027 | | |
| District: | Ft. Sanders NC | | | |
| Zoning: | C-N (Neighborhood Commercial) tion: Vernacular Commercial, c.1910 | | | |
| Description: | | | | |
| Two-story brick masonry commercial building, featuring decorative brickwork and non-historic windows and storefront systems. | | | | |
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Description of Work

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

Revision to previously issued COA 12-E-24-HZ for exterior rehabilitation and an addition.

Façade reconstruction: The locations of the primary entrance and transaction window have been revised from the previous application. The primary entrance with new paired, full-light aluminum storefront doors is now proposed for the second bay from the left, with the new transaction window in the rightmost bay. The new aluminum awning will be located on the existing wooden beam above the transom windows, resulting in taller transom windows than the previous application. A new illuminated channel letter sign will be installed on the awning. The brick masonry will be stripped of paint, in addition to the previously approved repair scopes.

Addition: The existing non-historic one-story addition, coolers, and deck on the north elevation will be demolished instead of rehabilitated, and a new cooler and one-story addition will be installed in its place. The addition will now only extend the length of the north elevation and will be slightly wider, and it will be clad in 6" fiber cement lap siding. The rooftop deck will now feature a steel railing that extends the full length of the addition, and it does not feature the wood pergola, its support structure, and the bike rack from the previous application.

Additional exterior rehabilitation scopes: Installation of storm windows in front of existing stained-glass windows and wall sconces on the south elevation.

Applicable Design Guidelines

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

Guidelines:

D. Wall Materials

5. In making additions to existing buildings, wall cladding should complement the original wall covering. Acceptable materials are clapboard, vinyl siding, cement fiber board, brick and stucco.

E. Windows and Entrances

9. Entrances to the building should be provided from the street, using doors that have similar proportions and features to pre-1940 architecture.

H. Additions to Existing Buildings

1. Additions should be made to the rear or side of the building.

J. Demolition

1. PHYSICAL CONDITION:

The HZC may allow demolition if a building has been condemned by the City of Knoxville for structural reasons, or if the HZC finds that structural problems and associated costs to address the problems warrant demolition; the decision shall be based on an assessment by a licensed structural engineer or architect.

2. ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRITY:

The HZC may allow demolition if the original design is so compromised that historic architectural integrity is lost and cannot, in the Commission's view, be reasonably re-established.

Comments

N/A

Staff Findings

1. 310 S. 13th Street is a contributing resource to the Fort Sanders National Register Historic District and local NC overlay. The commercial building has served as a store for the majority of its existence. The design guidelines for Fort Sanders primarily focus on residential construction. The overall façade reconstruction, exterior rehabilitation, and addition project was approved in December 2024 (12-E-24-HZ).

2. Overall, the revised façade reconstruction scopes meet the design guidelines. The brick masonry should be stripped of paint using methods aligned with Preservation Brief 1 from the National Park Service to prevent damage.

3. The one-story side addition with the coolers was installed between 1950-1989 and is in poor condition. It is not a character defining feature and removal will not damage the original structure. Demolition of the addition is appropriate.

4. The proposed porch and new side addition will be differentiated from the historic building by their materials, are more minimal in profile than the previous submission, and could be removed without effect on historic materials.

5. To reconstruct the proposed addition, the project requires variances from the Board of Zoning Appeals. The project is on the agenda for the July 2025 meeting and the staff recommendation presupposes BZA approval; if the variances are not granted, the case should be postponed by the HZC to allow the applicant time to revise the project.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 7-E-25-HZ as submitted.



DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

□ DOWNTOWN DESIGN (DK)

HISTORIC ZONING (H)

□ INFILL HOUSING (IH)

Cody Grooms

| Applicant | | 7-E-25-HZ |
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| 06/20/2025 | July 17, 2025 | 12-E-24-HZ IBC-ALT-25-0277 |
| 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 | | | | | |
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| Name | | Company | Company | | |
| 404 Bearden Park Circle | | Knoxville | TN | 37919 | |
| Address | | City | State | Zip | |
| (865) 602-7771 | cgrooms@georg | cgrooms@georgeewart.com | | | |
| Phone | Email | | | | |

CURRENT PROPERTY INFO

| SRJ Investments LLC | 310 13th St., Knoxville, TN 37916 | (865) 394-9140 |
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| Owner Name (if different from applicant) | Owner Address | Owner Phone |
| 310 13th St., Knoxville, TN 37916 | 094LM027 | |
| Property Address | Parcel ID | |
| Fort Sanders Historic District | C-N, NC Overlay | District |
| Neighborhood | Zoning | |

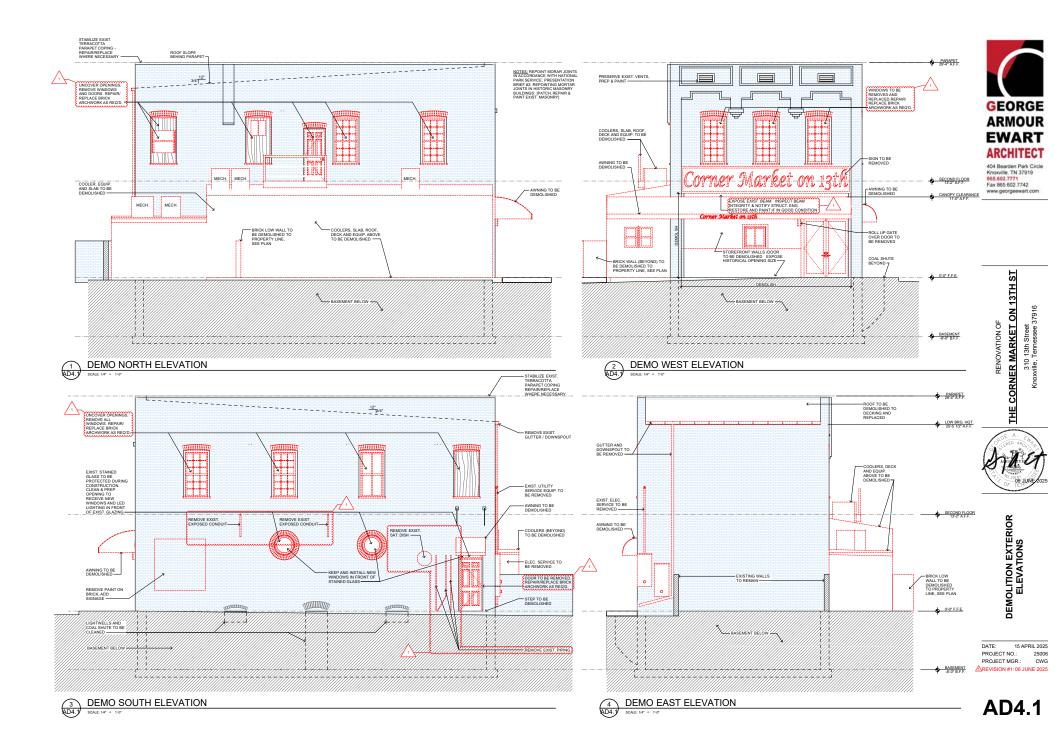
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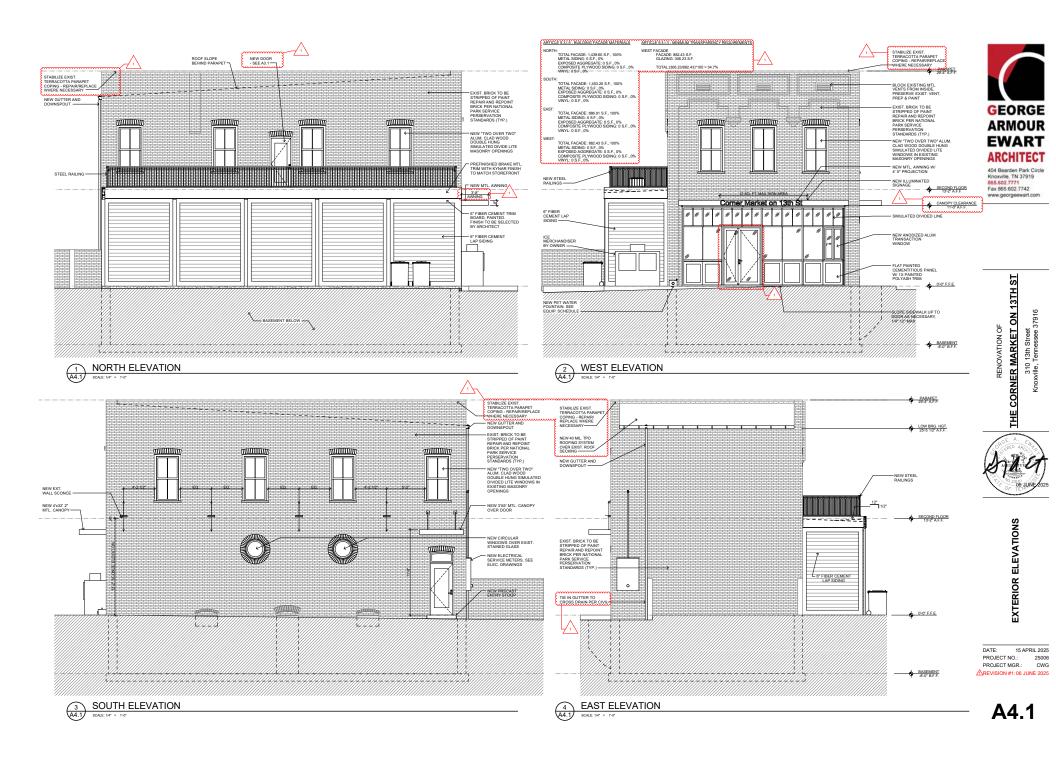
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| Applicant Signature | Please Print | Date |

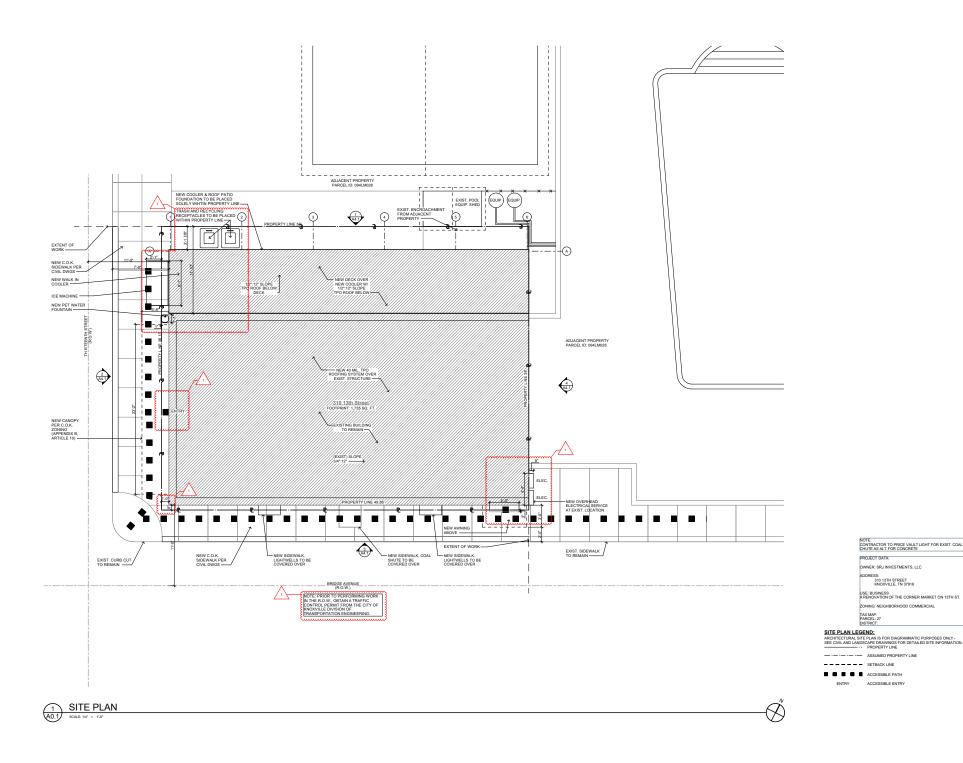
REQUEST

| 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: |
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| HISTORIC ZONING | 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: Relocation of a contributing structure Demolition of a contributing structure Brief description of work: The project scope will consist of renovating a 1910, historic, two story over basement, commercial brick building located in the Fort Sanders Neighborhood. The existing ground level will consist of renovating approximately 1,600-sf into a new convenience store. The existing, deteriorating, walk-in cooler is proposed to be demolished and built in-kind, and will provide outdoor patio area adjacent to and accessible from the second level. The property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and will undergo restorative work as part of historic preservation requirements. |
| INFILL HOUSING | Level 1: Driveways, parking pads, access point, garages or similar facilities Subdivisions Level 2: Additions 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: |
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| Π | Downtown Design Checklist | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| õ | Historic Zoning Design Checklist | FEE 2: | _ |
| USE | 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 | | Pd. 06/20/2025, SG |







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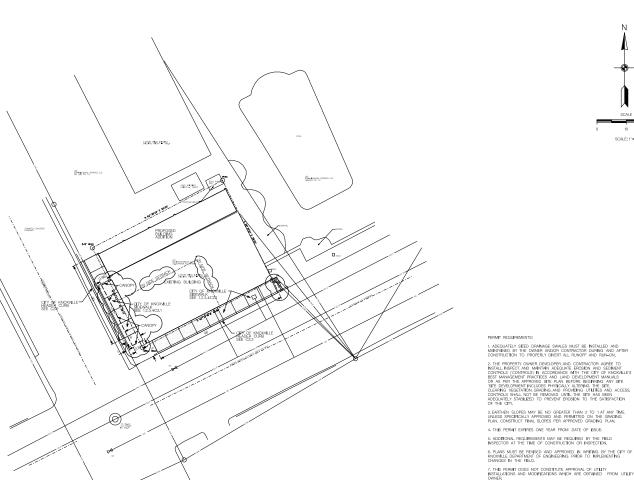
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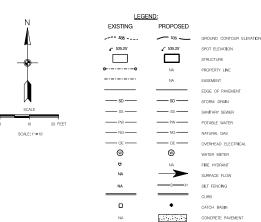


SITE PLAN

ON. DATE: 15 APRIL 2025 PROJECT NO.: 25006 PROJECT MGR.: CWG AREVISION #1:06 JUNE 2025

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1. USE: MARKET, ZONING: C-N, CLT 094LM027, WARD 10 BLOCK 10261

3. TOTAL SITE: 0.04 AC, DISTURBED AREA: 0.02 AC, NEW IMPERVIOUS AREA: 0.0 AC

6. SITE BENCHMARK CONTACT SURVEYOR FOR SITE BENCHMARK DATUM NAVD 88.

SITE BOUNDARY AND TOPOGRAPHIC INFORMATION IS FROM A SURVEY BY SAME DATED 382/2021; THE CONTINUCTOR SHALL VERITY THE EXISTING INFORMATION FRIGHT TO CONSTRUCTION, THE ANOHITECT INFORMATION ACCEPT NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACCURACY AND/OR COMPLETINGS OF EXISTING CONTINUES INFORMATION FROMEHERS.

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THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA SEE MAP 0283G.

2. TOTAL BUILDING AREA: 5,250 SF (2 STORY WITH BASEMENT)

SITE LAYOUT NOTES

4. DEED REFERENCE: 201905290070082

9. PARKING SUMMARY: PARKING REQUIRED 0 SPACES PARKING PROVIDED 0 SPACES BASIS: NONE REQUIRED BY ZONING

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DATE: 19 MAR 2025 PROJECT NO.: 25006 PROJECT NO. 2500 PROJ. MGR.: CODY REV. 06/05/2025



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- 15. PROVIDE A SMOOTH TRANSITION BETWEEN EXISTING PAVEMENT ANDOR CONCRETE AND NEW PAVEMENT ANDOR CONCRETE. FIELD ADJUSTMENT OF FINAL GRADES MAY BE REQUERED. INSTALL ALL STORM SYSTEMS PRIOR TO INSTALLATION OF PAVEMENT ANDOR CONCRETE.

- 14. CORRECT ALL DAMAGE TO EXISTING PAVEMENT, SDEWALKS, DRAINAGE STRUCTURES, UTILITIES, OR OTHER EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS AT NO EXPENSE TO THE OWNER.

- TRAFFIC CONTROL IN CONSTRUCTION AREAS TO BE INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.

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- 12. VERIFY SITE CONDITIONS, DIMENSIONS, ELEVATIONS, AND LOCATION OF EXISTING FEATURES BEFORE STARTING WORK. THE OWNERS REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE NOTIFED OF ANY INTERFERENCES OF DISCREPANCIES.

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