

# **Staff Report**

### **Design Review Board**

File Number: 7-C-21-DT

Meeting: 7/21/2021

**Project:** General Building mechanical installation

**Applicant:** Chris Woodcock

#### **Property Information**

Location: 625 Market St. Parcel ID 94 L G 013

**Zoning:** DK (Downtown Knoxville)

**Description:** 

General Building, constructed 1926. Fifteen-story building with a brick exterior and limestone detailing on the facade, designed by Barber and McMurry.

#### **Description of Work**

Level I Minor Alteration of an Existing Building/Structure

New mechanical equipment and ductwork on existing roof, to accommodate new kitchen interior. New duct and equipment are proposed as "paintable," either dark to obscure or to match the color of the building.

The mechanical equipment is proposed for the north elevation of the building, on the rooftop of the three-story section fronting the parking lot and visible from Walnut Street. The mechanical equipment includes new exhaust fans, new paintable mechanical ducts, and new rooftop condensers. An existing mechanical penthouse and an existing 3' tall parapet will remain. The parapet does not fully cover the mechanical equipment, which will be visible from Market Street.

### **Applicable Design Guidelines**

**Downtown Design Guidelines** 

- B. Private Realm
- 7. Mechanical Equipment and Service Utilities
- 7a. Minimize the visual impact of mechanical equipment through screens or recessed/low-profile equipment.
- 7b. Do not locate units on a primary façade.
- 7c. Screen rooftop vents, heating/cooling units, and related utilities with parapet walls or other screens. Consider sound-buffering of the units as part of the design.
- 7d. Locate utility connections and service boxes on secondary walls.

#### **Comments**

The proposed mechanical equipment installation is not located on a primary façade, but will be visible from Market Street. The equipment is also somewhat large in scope, extending almost the full length of the third-story rooftop section, ending in front of the existing mechanical penthouse. The proposal uses a 3-foot tall existing parapet; no additional parapet or screening will be installed.

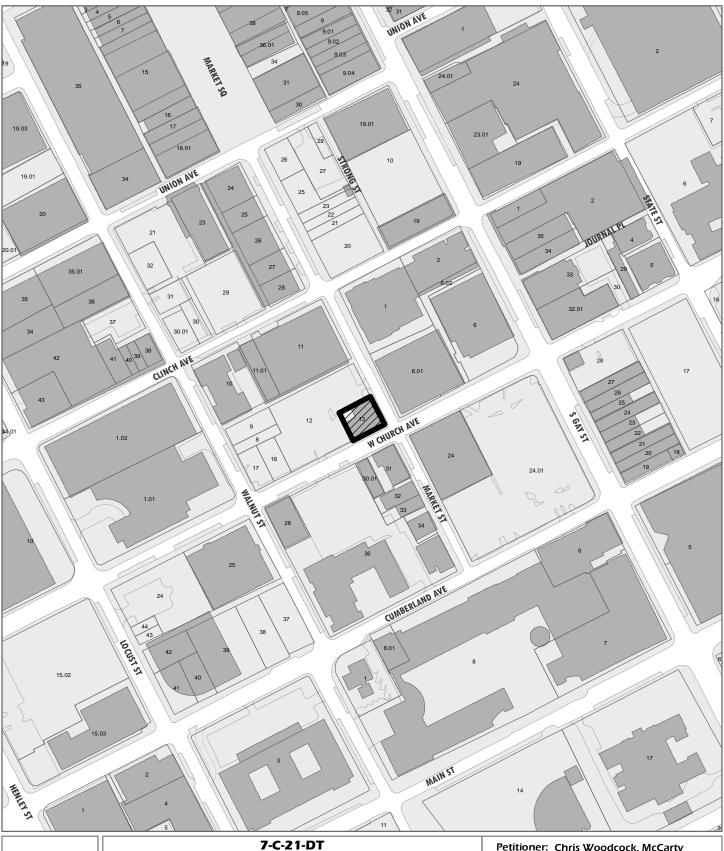
The equipment is somewhat low-profile, but will be visible above the existing parapet wall. To minimize the visual

impact, the proposal includes painting the equipment either dark to obscure or light to match the color of the building. The Board should discuss the appropriate color finish for the mechanical equipment to reduce visibility from the right-of-way.

### Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 7-C-21-DT as submitted.

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#### DOWNTOWN DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

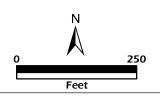


625 Market St.

Level 1: Minor alteration of an existing building/structure

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Petitioner: Chris Woodcock, McCarty Holsaple McCarty, Inc





## DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

■ DOWNTOWN DESIGN (DK)

☐ HISTORIC ZONING (H)

KNOXVILLE   KNOX COUNTY	INFILL HOUSING (IH)			
Chris Woodcock - Designer, MHM Inc.				
Applicant				
07/02/2021	07/21/2021 7-		C-21-DT	
Date Filed			nber(s)	
CORRESPONDENCE All correspondence related to this applicat	ion should be directed to the approved con	itact listed below.		
☐ Owner ☐ Contractor ☐ Engineer	■ Architect/Landscape Architect			
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Name	Company	Company		
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Phone	Email			
CURRENT PROPERTY INFO				
John Trotter	625 Market Street Suite 1500	Street Suite 1500 (865) 525-4800		
Owner Name (if different from applicant)	Owner Address	Owner Phone		
625 Market Street Suite 100	0941	094LG013		
Property Address	operty Address Parcel ID			
	DK-C	G		
Neighborhood	Zoni	ng		
AUTHORIZATION				
Lindsay Crockett	Lindsay Crockett		7.2.21	
Staff Signature	Please Print		Date	
Clibble	Chris Woodcock		06/30/2021	
Applicant Signature	Please Print		Date	

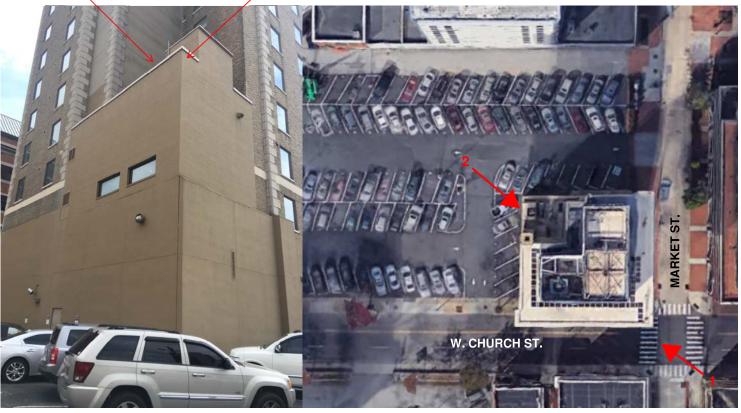
# **REQUEST**

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: New mechanical equipment & ductwork on existing roof, for new kitchen equipment. No change to exterior of existing building. New duct & equipment proposed as 'paintable'- either dark to obscure, or to match building.				
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  See required Historic Zoning attachment for more details.   Brief description of work:				
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: 50.00 FEE 2:	<b>TOTAL:</b> 50.00		

LOCATION OF NEW EQUIPMENT

EXISTING PARAPET





CHURCH AVE. & MARKET ST. MAIN FRONT CORNER NO CHANGE

BACK CORNER FROM PARKING

