

Staff Report

Infill Housing Design Review Committee

File Number: 11-C-21-IH

Meeting: 11/17/2021

Applicant: Bill Terry Knoxville Habitat for Humanity **Owner:** Bill Terry Knoxville Habitat for Humanity

Property Information

Location: 3119 Johnston St. Parcel ID 81 | G 007 02

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

District: Lonsdale Infill Housing Overlay District

Description of Work

Level III New Primary Structure

New primary residence fronting Johnston Street. Front-gable roof residence measures 30' wide by 44' long, with an 8' deep porch centered on the façade. The house is proposed to be set 27' from the front property line, with the porch 19' from the front property line. Parking is on the rear of the property and accessed from the alley, extending 50' long by 12' wide.

The 5/12 pitch, front-gable roof is clad in architectural shingle, the house is clad in 4.5" straight vinyl siding, and the house rests on a stucco-clad foundation. The porch gable field is clad in vinyl shakes and features a 6/12 pitch roof, supported by 5 by 5 square posts. The façade features paired, one-over-one windows flanking a centrally located door. There are four windows on the right side elevation and three on the left. A secondary entry is centered on the rear elevation.

Applicable Design Guidelines

Heart of Knoxville Infill Housing Design Guidelines

- 1. Front Yards
- Consistent front yard space should be created along the street with the setback of a new house matching the older houses on the block.
- When several infill houses, porches and the habitable portion of each house should be about the same distance from the street as the original houses.
- A walkway should be provided from the sidewalk or street to the front door. Along grid streets, the walk should be perpendicular to the street.
- Healthy trees that are outside the building footprint should be preserved. The root area should be marked and protected during construction.
- 2. House Orientation and Side Yards
- New housing should be proportional to the dimensions of the lot and other houses on the block.
- Side yard setbacks should be similar to older houses on the block, keeping the rhythm of spacing between houses consistent.

- 3. Alleys, Parking, and Services
- Parking should not be in front yards.
- Alley access should be used for garage or parking pad locations.
- On streets without alleys, garages or parking pads should be at least 20' behind the front façade of the infill house with access limited to one lane between the street and the front façade.
- On those streets which have alleys, driveways should not be permitted from the front of the house.
- Alley oriented parking pads, garbage collection points, and utility boxes should be screened with a combination of landscaping and fencing.

4. Scale, Mass, and Foundation Height

- The front elevation should be designed to be similar in scale to the other houses along the street.
- The front façade of new houses should be about the same width as original houses on the block.
- If extensions or bays were typically part of the neighborhood's historic house design, such elements should be incorporated into infill housing.
- New foundations should be about the same height as the original houses in the neighborhood.

5. Porches and Stoops

- Porches should be part of the housing design in those neighborhoods where porches were commonplace.
- Porches should be proportional to original porches on the block, extending about 8-12' toward the street from the habitable portion of the house.
- Porches should extend into the front yard setback, if necessary, to maintain consistency with similarly sited porches along the street.
- Porch posts and railings should be like those used in the historic era of the neighborhood's development.

6. Windows and Doors

- When constructing new houses, the windows and door styles should be similar to the original or historic houses on the block.
- To respect the privacy of adjacent properties, consider the placement of side windows and doors.
- The windows and doors on the front façade of an infill house should be located in similar proportion and position as the original houses on the block.
- Attention should be paid to window placement and the ratio of solid (the wall) to void (the window and door openings).
- Contemporary windows such as "picture windows" should not be used in pre-World War II neighborhoods.

7. Roof Shapes and Materials

- New roofs should be designed to have a similar pitch to original housing on the block.
- More complex roofs, such as hipped roofs and dormers, should be part of new housing designs when such forms were historically used on the block.
- Darker shades of shingle were often used and should be chosen in roofing houses in Infill neighborhoods.

8. Siding Materials

- Clapboard-like materials should be used in constructing new housing where painted wood siding was traditionally used.
- Faced stone, vertical siding, and other non-historic materials should not be used in building new houses.

11. Landscape and Other Considerations

- One native or naturalized shade tree should be planted in the front and rear yards of infill lots with 25 feet or more in depth to front of house.

Comments

1. The house is proposed to be set 27' from the front property line, with the partial-width front porch at 21' from

the front property line. The average front setback of the block is 34.9', with the adjacent houses at 34.5' and 33'. The proposed new house should be moved slightly towards the rear of the property, to align with the adjacent houses (30'-34'). The site plan shows a walkway from the front porch to the street.

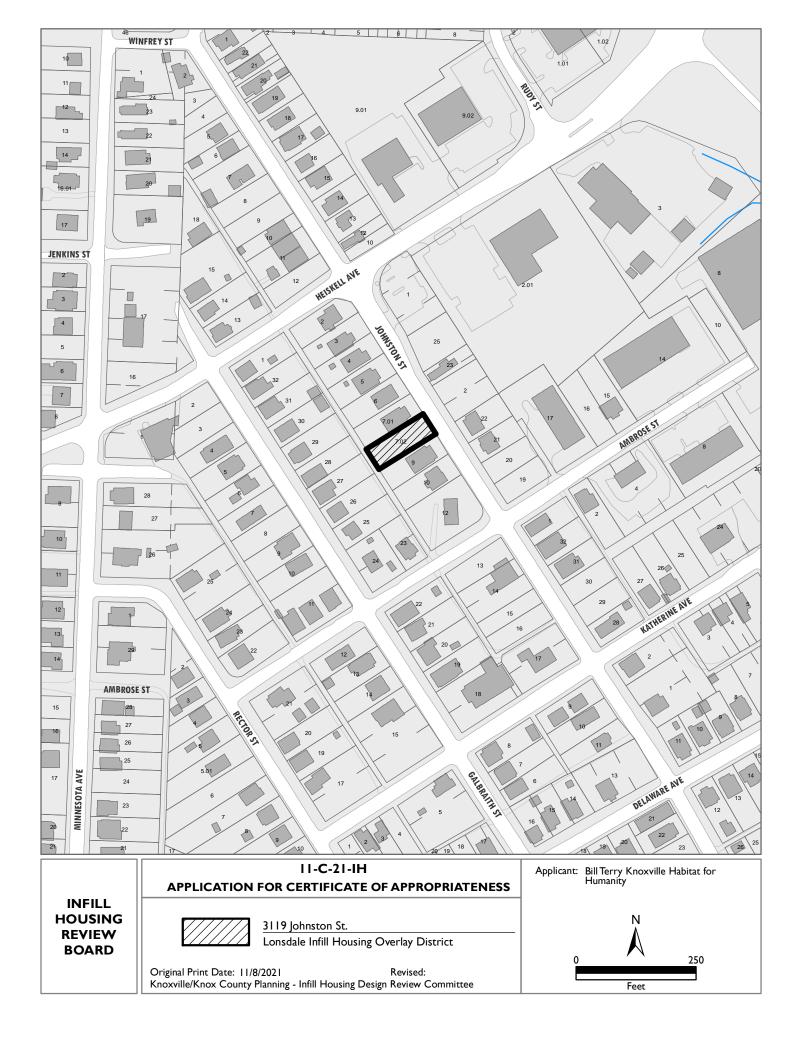
- 2. The block to receive new construction is characterized by modified Craftsman bungalows, Queen Anne cottages, and infill construction. The proposed house is proportionate to the context and the dimensions of the lot. The proposed side setbacks are consistent with the block.
- 3. The proposed parking and access meets Infill Housing guidelines and City Engineering standards.
- 4. Overall, the one-story, three-bay façade is compatible with the historic houses on the block. The foundation shown on drawings demonstrates sufficient height to be compatible with the historic context.
- 5. The proposed front-gable roof porch is 8' deep and 12' wide, centered over the main door. The porch columns should be increased in size instead of 5 by 5 posts.
- 6. The proposed window and doors are compatible with historic elements on the block. There is sufficient transparency on side elevations. The Board may choose to discuss the lack of windows on the rear elevation. The final design should incorporate window trim compatible in size and detail with historic houses on the block.
- 7. Generally, 6/12 is the minimum roof pitch selected to meet the design guidelines for roof shapes and materials. The new roof should receive a steeper pitch (6/12 or more) to be compatible with original housing on the block.
- 8. Overall materials are appropriate within the design guidelines. The vinyl siding should be lap siding with an overlap instead of Dutch lap or flush panel siding.
- 9. The site plan incorporates one tree each in rear and front yards.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 11-C-21-IH, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Modify front setback to be consistent with adjacent historic houses on the block;
- 2) Modify porch supports to be larger than proposed 5 by 5 posts;
- 3) Incorporate window trim on front and side elevations;
- 4) Select a steeper pitch for front-gable roof (6/12 or more);
- 5) Use lap siding with an overlap instead of Dutch lap or flush panel siding.

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DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

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