

# **Staff Report**

# Infill Housing Design Review Committee

File Number: 10-E-21-IH

Meeting: 10/20/2021

**Applicant:** Quinn Epperly QB Realty Team, Ilc **Owner:** Quinn Epperly QB Realty Team, Ilc

## **Property Information**

**Location:** 3311 Savoy St. Parcel ID 81 P A 011

**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 Savoy Street. One-story, hipped-roof residence measuring 24' wide by 33' long, with a 6' deep, 17' long front-gable roof porch centered on the façade. The house is proposed to be set 26.7' from the front property line. The proposed parking is a concrete pad accessible by a 10' wide concrete drive extending off Savoy Street. There is no operable alley.

The 8/12 pitch, hipped roof is clad in asphalt shingles, the house is clad in horizontal lap siding, and the house rests on a concrete slab foundation. The porch is centered on the façade, featuring an 8/12 roof and a gable clad in lap siding, supported by square wood posts. The three-bay façade features two windows flanking an off-center door. There are no windows on the left elevation and a secondary entry 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 26.7' from the front property line, with a 6' deep front porch located 20.7' from the front property line. The block lacks context to derive an average front setback, as there is only one other house

on the block fronting Savoy Street. The proposed front setback will establish a pattern for the block. Instead of a walkway extending to the street, the applicant has connected the walkway to the concrete driveway.

- 2. There is not much context on the block for comparable historic houses. On the other side of the street, the houses front Divide Street. The proposed house is proportionate to the dimensions of the lot.
- 3. The proposed parking meets Infill Housing design guidelines for a street without an operable alley (limited to one lane and extending at least 20' behind the house's front façade) and City Engineering standards. The applicant has incorporated landscaping to surround the parking pad. The application is right at the impervious surface limit for the base zoning. Any modifications to the site plan during permitting should meet City Engineering standards and remain within impervious surface limits.
- 4. Overall, the one-story, three-bay façade is compatible with the broader neighborhood context. The application includes a concrete slab foundation, which is not appropriate for the broader context; the applicant should incorporate a raised foundation at approximately 1' tall or taller.
- 5. The proposed front-gable roof porch is proportionate to the façade. A revised porch design should incorporate 6 by 6 or 8 by 8 square supports. A covered rear elevation porch is shown on the site plan but not the elevation drawings; drawings should be updated accordingly.
- 6. Guidelines recommend that window and door placement and design be compatible with the historic context and achieve a balance of solids to voids. The Prairie-style muntins as shown in the drawings are not appropriate for the guidelines; simple one-over-one, double-hung windows with appropriately-sized window trim should be used. Windows should be added to the left elevation. The Board may also choose to discuss the somewhat off-center layout of the façade.
- 7. The proposed 8/12 pitch roof meets the design guidelines. A front-gable roof porch contributes additional complexity.
- 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 includes new front and rear yard trees.

#### Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 10-E-21-IH, with the following conditions:

- 1) Final site plan to meet City Engineering standards;
- 2) Incorporate raised foundation (1' or taller) instead of concrete slab;
- 3) Use one-over-one windows with appropriately-sized trim;
- 4) Add one or two windows to the left elevation, with approval by staff;
- 5) Use lap siding with an overlap instead of Dutch lap or flush panel siding.

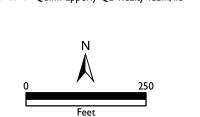


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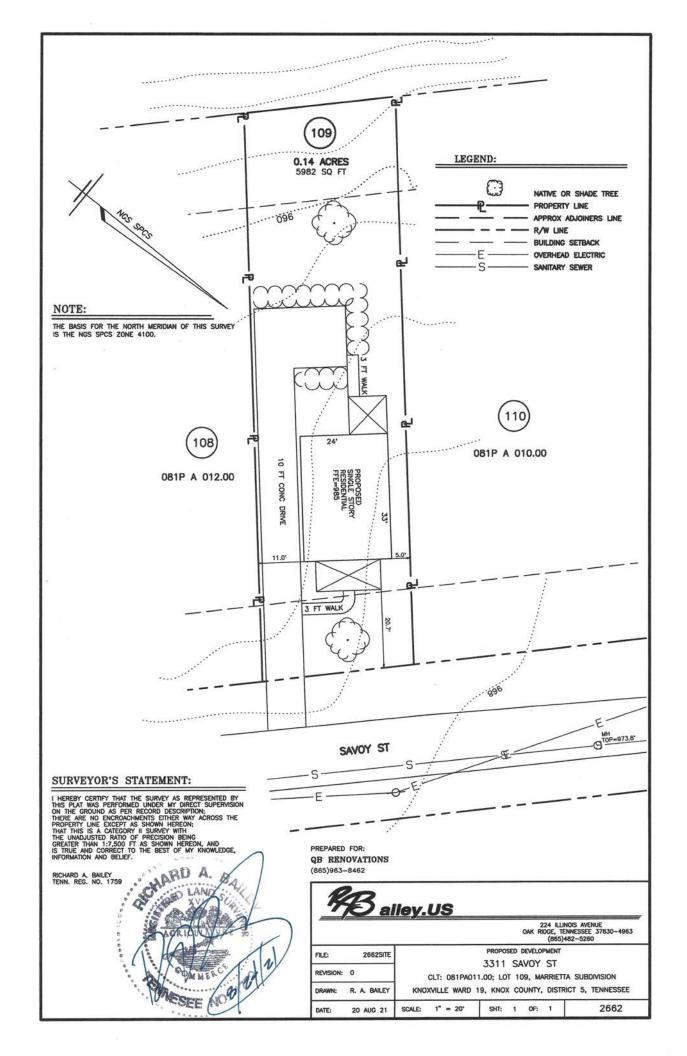
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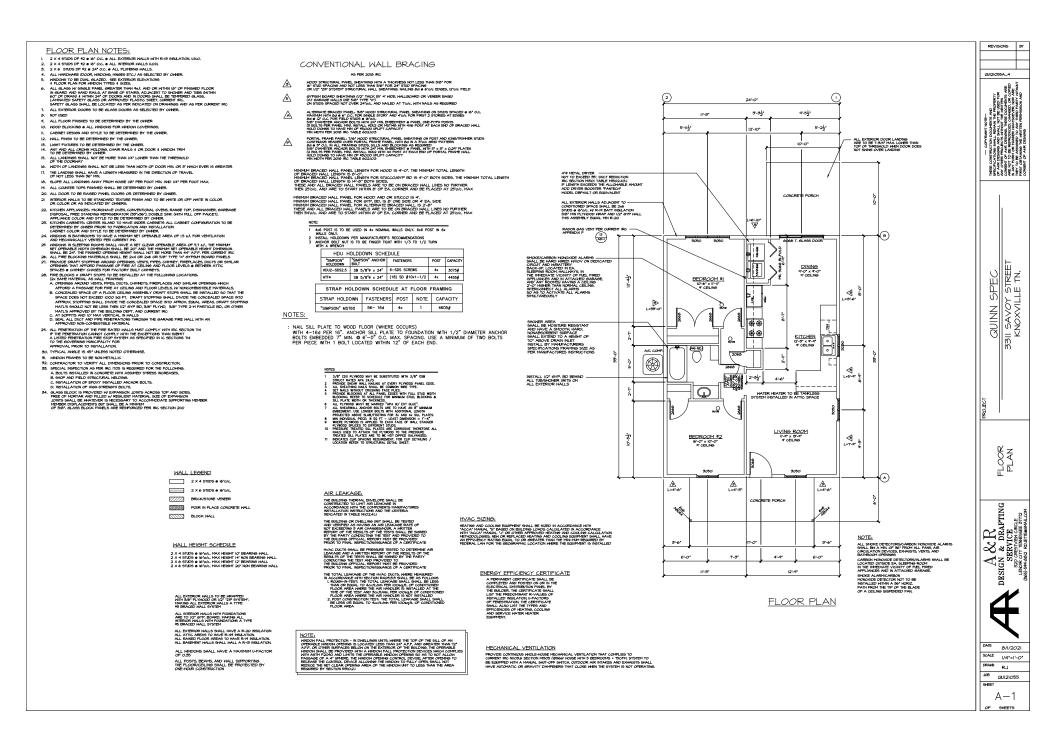
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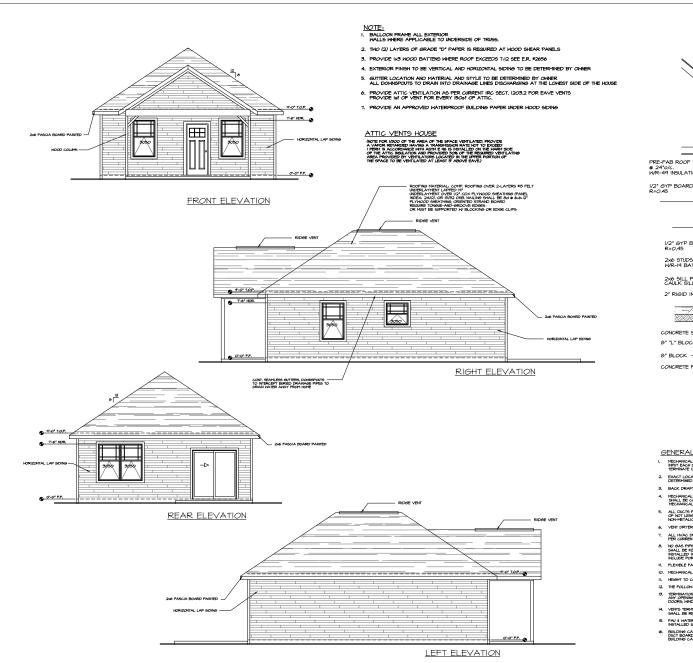
HISTORIC ZONING (H) ■ INFILL HOUSING (IH) QB Realty Team LLC **Applicant** 9/8/21 October 20, 2021 10-E-21-IH Date Filed Meeting Date (if applicable) File Number(s) **CORRESPONDENCE** All correspondence related to this application should be directed to the approved contact listed below. ■ Owner □ Contractor □ Engineer □ Architect/Landscape Architect Quinn Epperly QB Realty Team LLC Name Company 9812 Westland Dr Knoxville TN 37922 Address City State Zip 865-963-8462 Qbrenovations@gmail.com Phone Email **CURRENT PROPERTY INFO** Owner Name (if different from applicant) Owner Address Owner Phone 3311 Savoy St, Knoxville, TN 37921 081PA011 **Property Address** Parcel ID Marietta Add RN-2/IH Neighborhood Zoning **AUTHORIZATION** Lindsay Crockett 9.10.21 Lindsay Crockett Please Print Date Quinn Epperly 9/8/21 Please Print Applicant Signature Date

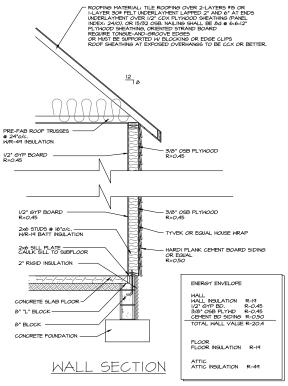
# **REQUEST**

| 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  See required Historic Zoning attachment for more details.  Brief description of work: |                                      |                  |
| INFILL HOUSING  | Level 1:  □ Driveways, parking pads, access point, garages or similar facilities □ Subdivisions  Level 2: □ Additions visible from the primary street □ Changes to porches 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: 2 bedroom 1 bathroom 792 square foot single level site built home   |                                      |                  |
| 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:<br>250.00<br>FEE 2:<br>FEE 3: | TOTAL:<br>250.00 |









#### GENERAL MECHANICAL NOTES:

- EXACT LOCATIONS & SIZE OF SUPPLY & RETURN REGISTERS TO BE DETERMINED BY THE HVAC CONTRACTOR.
- 3. BACK DRAFT DAMPER REQUIRED ON EXHAUST FANS
- MECHANICAL VENTILATION FOR TOILET COMPARTMENTS, BATHROOMS AND LANDRY ROOMS SHALL BE COMPLY WITH CURRENT INC. APPENDIX (E) MECHANICAL, VENTILATION FOR OTHER NEWTHER ROOMS SHALL COMPLY HITH CURRENT INC. APPENDIX (E)
- 6. VENT DRYER TO EXTERIOR 25' MAX OR DESIGNED, DUCT TO BE SMOOTH WBACKDRAFT DAMPER ALL HVAC DICTS SHALL HAVE R=8 INSULATION WRAPPING AND SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AND INSTALLED PER CURRENT INC SECTION (E) 502.41
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- 4. FLEXIBLE FACTORY-MADE AIR DUCTS SHALL BE SUPPORTED AS PER INC SECTION 603
- IO. MECHANICAL QUICK DISCONNECTS MUST BE READILY ACCESSIBLE
- II. HEIGHT TO COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL ABOVE KITCHEN RANGES SO" (IMPROTECTED), 24" (PROTECTED), 6" (HORIMIN)
- 12. THE FOLLOW SHALL BE CERTIFIED BY THE IEG: WATER HEATERS, SHOWER HEADS AND FAICETS, SPACE CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT
- TERMINATION OF ALL BINIRONMENTAL AIR DUCTS SHALL BE A MIN. OF 3" FROM THE PROPERTY LINES OR ANY OPENINGS INTO THE BUILDING (IE. DRITERS, BATH AND UTILITY FANS ETC, AND ALSO 3" FROM DOORS, WINDOWS, SYTLIGHTS OR ATTIC YENTS).
- 14. VENTS TERMINATING IN TYPE "B" OR "BW" GAS VENTS WITH LISTED VENT CAPS SIZED 12" OR SMALLER SHALL BE REMITTED TO BE TERMINATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TABLE 808.6.2, FOR 8.12 ROOF 2" MIN HEIGH"
- 15. FAU & MATER HEATERS WHICH GENERATE A GLON, FLAME OR SPARK LOCATED IN A GARAGE SHALL BE INSTALLED SUCH THAT THE IGNITION IS AT LEAST 18" ABOVE FINISHED FLOOR
- 6. BUILDING CAVITIES AND PLENANS DEFINED OR CONSTRUCTED WITH MATERIALS OTHER THAN SEALED SHEET METAL DUCT BOARD OR FLEXIBLE DUCT SHALL NOT BE USED FOR CONVEYING CONDITIONED AIR. BUI DING CAVITIES MAY CONTAIN DUCK.

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