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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION** 

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**ELE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY** 

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT

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# Application: New Construction—Addition and Outbuilding District: Richland-West End Neighborhood Conservation Zoning Overlay Council District: 24 Base Zoning: RS7.5 Map and Parcel Number: 10405026400 Applicant: Mitch Hodge Project Lead: Melissa Sajid, Melissa.sajid@nashville.gov

<ul> <li>Description of Project: Project is to construct a rear addition that extends one foot, nine inches (1'-9") taller than the historic house and to construct an outbuilding.</li> <li>Recommendation Summary: Staff recommends approval with the following conditions:</li> </ul>	Attachments A: Photographs B: Site Plan C: Elevations
<ol> <li>Staff approve the final details, dimensions and materials of the foundation material, trim, roof color, windows and doors prior to purchase and installation;</li> <li>Siding shall have a maximum reveal of five inches (5"); and,</li> <li>The HVAC shall be located behind the house or on either side, beyond the mid-point of the house, and utility meters shall be located on the side of the building, within 5' of the front corner. Alternative mechanical and utility locations must be approved prior to an administrative sign-off on building permit(s).</li> <li>With these conditions, staff finds that the project meets II.B of the <i>Richland-West End Neighborhood Conservation Zoning District: Handbook and Design Guidelines</i>.</li> </ol>	

# Vicinity Map:



# Aerial Map:



# **Applicable Design Guidelines:**

# **II.B.1** New Construction a. Height

The height of the foundation wall, porch roof(s), and main roof(s) of a new building shall be compatible, by not contrasting greatly, with those of surrounding historic buildings.

## b. Scale

- The size of a new building and its mass in relation to open spaces shall be compatible, by not contrasting greatly, with surrounding historic buildings.
- Foundation lines should be visually distinct from the predominant exterior wall material. This is typically accomplished with a change in material.

## c. Setback and Rhythm of Spacing

- The setback from front and side yard property lines established by adjacent historic buildings should be maintained. Generally, a dominant rhythm along a street is established by uniform lot and building width. Infill buildings should maintain that rhythm.
- The Commission has the ability to determine appropriate building setbacks and extend height limitations of the required underlying base zoning for new construction, additions and accessory structures (ordinance no. 17.40.410).

### Appropriate setbacks will be determined based on:

- The existing setback of the contributing primary buildings and accessory structures found in the immediate vicinity;
- Setbacks of like structures historically found on the site as determined by historic maps, site plans or photographs;
- $\cdot$  Shape of lot;
- · Alley access or lack thereof;
- · Proximity of adjoining structures; and
- · Property lines.

### Appropriate height limitations will be based on:

- $\cdot$  Heights of historic buildings in the immediate vicinity
- $\cdot$  Existing or planned slope and grade

In most cases, an infill duplex should be one building, as seen historically in order to maintain the rhythm of the street. Detached infill duplexes may be appropriate in the following instances:

- There is not enough square footage to legally subdivide the lot but there is enough frontage and width to the lot to accommodate two single-family dwellings in a manner that meets the design guidelines;
- The second unit follows the requirements of a Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit; or
- An existing non-historic building sits so far back on the lot that a building may be constructed in front of it in a manner that meets the rhythm of the street and the established setbacks.

## d. Materials, Texture, Details, and Material Color

The materials, texture, details, and material color of a new building's public facades shall be visually compatible, by not contrasting greatly, with surrounding historic buildings. Vinyl and a luminum siding

are not appropriate.

- T-1-11- type building panels, "permastone", E.F.I.S. and other artificial siding materials are generally not appropriate. However, pre-cast stone and cement fiberboard siding are approvable cladding materials for new construction; but pre-cast stone should be of a compatible color and texture to existing historic stone clad structures in the district; and cement fiberboard siding, when used for lapped siding, should be smooth and not stamped or embossed and have a maximum of a 5" reveal. The reveal for lap siding should not exceed 5". Larger reveals may be possible but should not exceed 8" and shall have mitered corners.
- Shingle siding should exhibit a straight-line course pattern and exhibit a maximum exposure of seven inches (7").

Four inch (4") nominal corner boards are required at the face of each exposed corner.

Stud wall lumber and embossed wood grain are prohibited.

Belt courses or a change in materials from one story to another are often encouraged for large two-story buildings to break up the massing.

When different materials are used, it is most appropriate to have the change happen at floor lines. Clapboard sided chimneys are generally not appropriate. Masonry or stucco is appropriate. Texture and tooling of mortar on new construction should be similar to historic examples.

Asphalt shingle is an appropriate roof material for most buildings. Generally, roofing should not have strong simulated shadows in the granule colors which results in a rough, pitted appearance; faux shadow lines; strongly variegated colors; colors that are too light (e.g.: tan, white, light green); wavy or deep color/texture used to simulate split shake shingles or slate; excessive flared form in the shingle tabs; uneven or sculpted bottom edges that emphasize tab width or edges, unless matching the original roof.

Generally front doors should be 1/2 to full-light. Faux leaded glass is inappropriate.

### e. Roof Shape

The roof(s) of a new building shall be visually compatible, by not contrasting greatly, with the roof shape, orientation, and pitch of surrounding historic buildings.

Roof pitches should be similar to the pitches found in the district. Historic roofs are generally between 6/12 and 12/12.

Roof pitches for porch roofs are typically less steep, approximately in the 3-4/12 range. Generally, two-story residential buildings have hipped roofs.

Generally, dormers should be located on the roof. Wall dormers are not typical in the historic context and accentuate height so they should be used minimally and generally only on secondary facades. When they are appropriate they should be no wider than the typical window openings and should not project beyond the main wall.

### f. Orientation

The orientation of a new building's front facade shall be visually consistent with surrounding historic buildings.

### Porches

- New buildings should incorporate at least one front street-related porch that is accessible from the front street.
- Side porches or porte cocheres may also be appropriate as a secondary entrance, but the primary entrance should address the front.
- Front porches generally should be a minimum of 6' deep, have porch racks that are 1'-3' tall and have posts that include bases and capitals.

Parking areas and Driveways Generally, curb cuts should not be added. Where a new driveway is appropriate it should be two concrete strips with a central grassy median. Shared driveways should be a single lane, not just two driveways next to each other. Sometimes this may be accomplished with a single lane curb cut that widens to a double lane deeper into the lot.

### Duplexes

- Infill duplexes shall have one or two doors facing the street, as seen on historic duplexes. In the case of corner lots, an entrance facing the side street is possible as long as it is designed to look like a secondary entrance.
- In the case of duplexes, vehicular access for both units should be from the alley, where an alley exists. A new shared curb cut may be added, if no alley and no driveway exists, but the driveway should be no more than 12' wide from the street to the rear of the home. Driveways should use concrete strips where they are typical of the historic context. Front yard parking or driveways which end at the front of the house are not consistent with the character of the historic neighborhoods.

## Multi-unit Developments

- For multi-unit developments, interior dwellings should be subordinate to those that front the street. Subordinate generally means the width and height of the buildings are less than the primary building(s) that faces the street.
- For multi-unit developments, direct pedestrian connections should be made between the street and any interior units. The entrances to those pedestrian connections generally should be wider than the typical spacing between buildings along the street.

## g. Proportion and Rhythm of Openings

- The relationship of width to height of windows and doors, and the rhythm of solids (walls) to voids (door and window openings) in a new building shall be compatible, by not contrasting greatly, with surrounding historic buildings.
- Window openings on the primary street-related or front façade of new construction should be representative of the window patterns of similarly massed historic structures within the district. In most cases, every 8-13 horizontal feet of flat wall surface should have an opening (window or door) of at
- least 4 squarefeet. More leniencies can be given to minimally visible side or rear walls. Double-hung windows should exhibit a height to width ratio of at least 2:1.
- Windows on upper floors should not be taller than windows on the main floor since historically first floors
- have higher ceilings than upper floors and so windows were typically taller on the first floor.
- Single-light sashes are appropriate for new construction. If using multi-light sashes, muntins should be fully simulated and bonded to the glass, and exhibit an interior bar, exterior bar, as well as a spacer between glass panes.
- Four inch (nominal) casings are required around doors, windows and vents on non-masonry buildings. Trim should be thick enough to extend beyond the clapboard. Double or triple windows should have a 4" to 6" mullion in between.
- Brick molding is required around doors, windows and vents within masonry walls but is not appropriate on non-masonry buildings.

## h. Outbuildings

(Although the MHZC does not review use itself there are additional ordinance requirements for buildings that are or have a Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit (DADU) required by ordinance 17.16.030 that are reviewed by the MHZC. This information is provided for informational purposes only and does not replace ordinance 17.16.030.)

1) A new garage or storage building should reflect the character of the period of the house to which the outbuilding will be related. The outbuilding should be compatible, by not contrasting greatly, with surrounding historic outbuildings in terms of height, scale, roof shape, materials, texture, and details.

### *Outbuildings: Height & Scale*

 $\cdot$  On lots less than 10,000 square feet, the footprint of a DADU or outbuilding shall not exceed seven

hundred fifty square feet or fifty percent of the first floor area of the principal structure, whichever is less. • On lots 10,000 square feet or greater, the footprint of a DADU or outbuilding shall not exceed one thousand square feet.

• The DADU or outbuilding shall maintain a proportional mass, size, and height to ensure it is not taller or wider than the principal structure on the lot. The DADU or outbuilding height shall not exceed the height of the principal structure, with a maximum eave height of 10' for one-story DADU's or outbuildings and 17' for two-story DADUs or outbuildings. The roof ridge height of the DADU or outbuilding must be less than the principal building and shall not exceed 25' feet in height.

## Outbuildings: Character, Materials and Details

• Historically, outbuildings were either very utilitarian in character, or (particularly with more extravagant houses) they repeated the roofforms and architectural details of the houses to which they related. Generally, either approach is appropriate for new outbuildings. DADUs or out buildings located on comer lots should have similar architectural characteristics, including roofform and pitch, to the existing principal structure.

 $\cdot$  DADUs or outbuildings with a second story shall enclose the stairs interior to the structure and properly fire rate them per the applicable life safety standards found in the code editions adopted by the Metropolitan Government of Nashville.

### Outbuildings: Roof

 $\cdot$  Roof slopes on simple, utilitarian buildings do not have to match the roof slopes of the main structure, but generally should maintain at least a 4/12 pitch.

• The DADU or outbuilding may have dormers that relate to the style and proportion of windows on the DADU and shall be subordinate to the roof slope by covering no more than fifty percent of the roof plane and should sit back from the exterior wall by 2'.

### Outbuildings: Windows and Doors

• Publicly visible windows should be appropriate to the style of the house.

· Double-hung windows are generally twice as tall as they are wide and of the single-light sash variety.

 $\cdot$  Publicly visible pedestrian doors must either be appropriate for the style of house to which the

outbuilding relates or be flat with no panels.

 $\cdot$  Metal overhead doors are acceptable on garages when they are simple and devoid of overly decorative elements typical on high-style wooden doors. Decorative raised panels on publicly visible garage doors are generally not appropriate.

 $\cdot$  For street-facing facades, garages with more than one-bay should have multiple single doors rather than one large door to accommodate more than one bay.

### Outbuildings: Siding and Trim

· Brick, weatherboard, and board-and-batten are typical siding materials.

 $\cdot$  Exterior siding may match the existing contributing building's original siding; otherwise, siding should be wood or smooth cement-fiberboard lap siding with a maximum exposure of five inches (5"), wood or smooth cement-fiberboard board-and-batten or masonry.

 $\cdot$  Four inch (4" nominal) corner-boards are required at the face of each exposed corner.

 $\cdot$  Stud wall lumber and embossed wood grain are prohibited.

 $\cdot$  Four inch (4" nominal) casings are required around doors, windows, and vents within clapboard walls. Trim should be thick enough to extend beyond the clapboard. Double or triple windows should have a 4" to 6" mullion in between.

Brick molding is required around doors, windows, and vents within masonry walls but is not appropriate on non-masonry clad buildings.

2) Outbuildings should be situated on a lot as is historically typical for surrounding historic buildings.

Generally new garages should be placed close to the alley, at the rear of the lot, or in the original location of an historic accessory structure.

Lots without rear alleys may have garages located closer to the primary structure. The appropriate location is one that matches the neighborhood or can be documented by historic maps.

Generally, attached garages are not appropriate; however, instances where they may be are: • Where they are a typical feature of the neighborhood; or

• When the location of the attached garage is in the general location of an historic accessory building, the new garage is located in the basement level, and the vehicular access is on the rear elevation.

### Setbacks & Site Requirements.

 $\cdot$  To reflect the character of historic outbuildings, new outbuildings for duplexes should not exceed the requirements for outbuildings for the entire lot and should not be doubled. The most appropriate configurations would be two 1-bay buildings with or without parking pads for additional spaces or one 2-bay building.

 $\cdot$  A DADU or outbuilding may only be located behind the principal structure in the established rear yard. The DADU or outbuilding is to be subordinate to the principal structure and therefore should be placed to the rear of the lot.

 $\cdot$  There should be a minimum separation of 20' between the principal structure and the DADU or outbuilding.

 $\cdot$  At least one side setback for a DADU or outbuilding on an interior lot, should generally be similar to the principle dwelling but no closer than 3' from each property line. The rear setback may be up to 3' from the rear property line. For corner lots, the DADU or outbuilding should match the context of homes on the street. If there is no context, the street setback should be a minimum of 10'.

### Driveway Access.

On lots with no alley access, the lot shall have no more than one curb-cut from any public street for driveway access to the principal structure as well as the detached accessory dwelling or outbuilding.
On lots with alley access, any additional access shall be from the alley and no new curb cuts shall be provided from public streets.

Parking accessed from any public street shall be limited to one driveway for the lot with a maximum width of twelve feet.

# Additional Requirements for DADUs from Ordinance 17.16.030. See requirements for outbuildings for additional requirements.

 $\cdot$  The lot area on which a DADU is placed shall comply with Table 17.12.020A.

• *The DADU may not exceed the maximums outlined previously for outbuildings.* 

• No additional accessory structure shall exceed two hundred square feet when there is a DADU on the lot.

### Density.

 $\cdot$  A DADU is not allowed if the maximum number of dwelling units permitted for the lot has been met. Ownership.

• No more than one DADU shall be permitted on a single lot in conjunction with the principal structure.

• The DADU cannot be divided from the property ownership of the principal dwelling.

 $\cdot$  The DADU shall be owned by the same person as the principal structure and one of the two dwellings shall be owner-occupied.

 $\cdot$  Prior to the issuance of a permit, an instrument shall be prepared and recorded with the register's office covenanting that the DADU is being established accessory to a principal structure and may only be used under the conditions listed here.

Bulk and Massing.

 $\cdot$  The living space of a DADU shall not exceed seven hundred square feet.

### i. Utilities

Utility connections such as gas meters, electric meters, phone, cable, and HVAC condenser units should be located so as to minimize their visibility from the street.

Generally, utility connections should be placed no closer to the street than the mid point of the structure. Power lines should be placed underground if they are carried from the street and not from the rear or an alley.

### j. Public Spaces

- Landscaping, sidewalks, signage, lighting, street fumiture and other work undertaken in public spaces by any individual, group or agency shall be presented to the MHZC for review of compatibility with the character of the district.
- Generally, mailboxes should be attached to the front wall of the house or a porchpost. In most cases, street-side mailboxes are inappropriate.

### k: Multi-unit Detached Developments/ Cottage Developments

- Multi-unit detached developments or "cottage" developments are only appropriate where the Planning Commission has determined that the community plan allows for the density requested and the design guidelines for "new construction" can be met.
- The buildings facing the street must follow all the design guidelines for new construction. The interior units need not meet the design guidelines for setbacks and rhythm of spacing on the street.

Interior dwellings should be subordinate to those that front the street. Subordinate generally means the width and height of the buildings are less than the primary building(s) that face the street.

Interior dwellings should be "tucked-in" behind the buildings facing the street.

Direct pedestrian connections should be made between the street and any interior units. The entrances to those pedestrian connections generally should be wider than the typical spacing between buildings along the street.

Attached garages are only appropriate for rear units along the alley.

## 2. ADDITIONS

a. Generally, an addition should be situated at the rear of a building in such a way that it will not disturb either front or side facades.

### Placement

Additions should be located at the rear of an existing structure.

Connections to additions should, as much as possible, use existing window and door openings rather than remove significant amounts of rear wall material.

Generally, one-story rear additions should inset one foot, for each story, from the side wall. Additions should be physically distinguished from the historic building and generally fit within the shadow line of the existing building.

When an addition ties into the existing roof, the addition should be at least 6" below the existing ridge. In order to assure than an addition has achieved proper scale, the addition should:

- No matter its use, an addition should not be larger than the existing house, not including non-historic additions, in order to achieve compatibility in scale. This will allow for the retention of small and medium size homes in the neighborhood. The diversity of housing type and size is a character defining feature of the historic districts.
- Additions which are essentially a house-behind-a-house with a long narrow connector are not appropriate, as the form does not exist historically. Short or minimal connections that do not require the removal of the entire back wall of a historic building are preferred.
- Additions should generally be shorter and thinner than the existing building. Exceptions may be made when unusual constraints make these parameters unreasonable, such as:
  - · An extreme grade change
  - Atypical lot parcel shape or size
- In these cases, an addition may rise above <u>or</u> extend wider than the existing building; however, generally the addition should not higher <u>and</u> extend wider.

### When an addition needs to be taller:

Whenever possible, additions should not be taller than the historic building; however, when a taller addition is the only option, additions to single story structures may rise as high as 4' above the shadow line of the existing building at a distance of 40' from the front edge of the existing building. In this instance, the side walls and roof of the addition must set in as is typical for all additions. The portion of the roof that can be seen should have a hipped, side gable or clipped gable roof to help decrease the visual mass of the addition.

### When an addition needs to be wider:

Rear additions that are wider than an existing historic building may be appropriate when the building is narrower than 30' or shifted to one side of the lot. In these instances, a structural alcove or channel must separate the existing building from the new addition. The structural alcove should sit in a minimum of 1' and be at least twice as long as it is deep.

In addition, a rear addition that is wider should not wrap the rear corner.

#### Ridge raises

Ridge raises are most appropriate for one-story, side-gable buildings, (without clipped gables) and that require more finished height in the attic. The purpose of a ridge raise is to allow for conditioned space in the attic and to discourage large rear or side additions. The raised portion must sit in a minimum of 2' from each side wall and can be raised no more than 2' of total vertical height within the same plane as the front roof slope.

### Sunrooms

Metal framed sunrooms, as a modern interpretation of early green houses, are appropriate if they are mostly glass or use appropriate cladding material for the district, are located at the rear in a minimally visible location, are minimally attached to the existing structure, and follow all other design guidelines for additions.

### Foundation

Foundation walls should set in from the existing foundation at the back edge of the existing structure by one foot for each story or half story. Exception: When an addition is a small one -room deep (12'deep or less) addition that spans the width of the structure, and the existing structure is masonry with the addition to be wood (or appropriate substitute siding). The change in material from masonry to wood allows for a minimum of a four inch (4") inset.

Foundation height should match or be lower than the existing structure.

Foundation lines should be visually distinct from the predominant exterior wall material. This is generally accomplished with a change in materials.

### Roof

The height of the addition's roof and eaves must be less than or equal to the existing structure. Visually evident roof slopes should match the roof slopes of the existing structure, and roof planes should set in accordingly for rear additions.

Skylights should not be located on the front-facing slope of the roof. Skylights should be flat (no bubble lenses) with a low profile (no more than six inches tall) and only be installed behind the midpoint of the building).

### Rear & Side Dormers

Dormer additions are appropriate for some historic buildings as they are a traditional way of adding ventilation and light to upper stories.

The addition of a dormer that would require the removal of historic features such as an existing dormer, chimneys, cupolas or decorative feature is not appropriate.

Rear dormers should be inset from the side walls of the building by a minimum of two feet. The top of a rear dormer may attach just below the ridge of the main roo for lower.

Side dormers should be compatible with the scale and design of the building. Generally, this can be

accomplished with the following:

- $\cdot$  New dormers should be similar in design and scale to an existing dormer on the building.
- $\cdot$  New dormers should be similar in design and scale to an existing dormer on another historic building that is similar in style and massing.
- The number of dormers and their location and size should be appropriate to the style and design of the building. Sometimes dormer locations relate to the openings below. The symmetry or lack of symmetry within a building design should be used as a guide when placing dormers.
- $\cdot$  Dormers should not be added to secondary roof planes.
- $\cdot$  Eave depth on a dormer should not exceed the eave depth on the main roof.
- $\cdot$  The roof form of the domer should match the roof form of the building or be appropriate for the style.
- $\cdot$  The roof pitch of the dormer should generally match the roof pitch of the building.
- The ridge of a side dormer should be at least 2' below the ridge of the existing building; the cheeks should be inset at least 2' from the wall below or adjacent valley; and the front wall of the gable should setback a minimum of 2' from the wall below. (These minimum insets will likely be greater than 2' when following the guidelines for appropriate scale.)
- $\cdot$  Dormers should generally be fully glazed and aprons below the window should be minimal.
- The exterior material cladding of side dormers should match the primary or secondary material of the main building.

### Side Additions

- When a lot width exceeds 60' or the standard lot width on the block, it may be appropriate to add a side addition to a historic structure. The addition should set back from the face of the historic structure (at or beyond the midpoint of the building) and should be subservient in height, width and massing to the historic structure.
- Side additions should be narrower than half of the historic building width and exhibit a height of at least 2' shorter than the historic building.

To deemphasize a side addition, the roofing form should generally be a hip or side-gable roof form.

b. The creation of an addition through enclosure of a front porch is not appropriate.

The addition should set back from the face of the historic structure (at or beyond the midpoint of the building) and should be subservient in height, width and massing to the historic structure.

Side additions should be narrower than half of the historic building width and exhibit a height of at least 2' shorter than the historic building.

To deemphasize a side addition, the roofing form should generally be a hip or side-gable roof form.

c. Contemporary designs for additions to existing properties are not discouraged when such additions do not destroy significant historical, architectural, or cultural material; and when such design is compatible, by not contrasting greatly, with the size, scale, color, material, and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.

Side porch additions may be appropriate for corner building lots or lots more than 60' wide.

d. A new addition should be constructed in such a manner that if the addition were to be removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the original structure would be unimpaired.

e. Additions should follow the guidelines for new construction.

Connections should, as much as possible, use existing window and door openings rather than remove significant amounts of rear wall material.

### **III.B.1** Demolition is Not Appropriate

- a. if a building, or major portion of a building, is of such architectural or historical interest and value that its removal would be detrimental to the public interest; or
- b. if a building, or major portion of a building, is of such old or unusual or uncommon design and materials that it could not be reproduced or be reproduced without great difficulty and expense.

### **III.B.2** Demolition is Appropriate

- a. if a building, or major portion of a building, has irretrievably lost its architectural and historical integrity and significance and its removal will result in a more historically appropriate visual effect on the district;
- b. if a building, or major portion of a building, does not contribute to the historical and architectural character and significance of the district and its removal will result in a more historically appropriate visual effect on the district; or
- c. if the denial of the demolition will result in an economic hardship on the applicant as determined by the MHZC in accordance with section 17.40.420 of the historic zoning ordinance.

**Background:** The house located at 3618 Meadowbrook Avenue is a c. 1915 bungalow cottage that contributes to the historic character of the Richland-West End neighborhood (Figure 1).



Figure 1. 3618 Meadowbrook Ave.

**Analysis and Findings:** Application is to construct a rear addition and outbuilding. The project includes removal of an existing rear addition and rear dormer. No other changes to the historic house are proposed with this project.

<u>Demolition</u>: The project includes the removal of an existing ten foot by ten foot (10' x 10') rear addition and a full width rear dormer (Figure 2). The 1931 Sanborn map shows a covered porch and part of the enclosed footprint at the rear of the house while the 1968 Property Assessor's card shows a fully enclosed four foot by eleven foot (4' x 11') utility room (Figures 3 and 4). A building permit issued in 2003 (200301878) permitted the addition of the rear dormer but specifically stated that the footprint was not expanded per that building permit. Given the available documentation, staff finds that the rear addition to be demolished likely was constructed between 1968 and 2003 while the rear dormer to be demolished was constructed c. 2003.



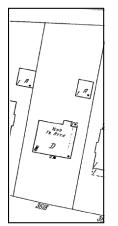


Figure 3. 1931 Sanborn map.

Figure 2. Rear addition and dormer to be demolished.

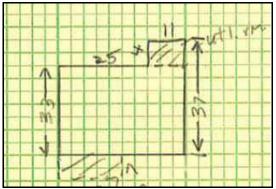


Figure 4. 1968 Property Assessor's card footprint.

Since the rear additions are located at the rear of the house and are not original to the historic house, staff finds that their demolition meets Section III.B.2 for appropriate demolition and does not meet Section III.B.1 for inappropriate demolition.

<u>Height & Scale</u>: The proposed addition does not more than double the existing footprint or extend wider than the historic house, but it does extend one foot, nine inches (1'-9") taller. The eave and foundation heights are no taller than the historic house. As proposed, the addition adds approximately one thousand, two hundred, seventy-two square feet (1272 sq. ft.) to the existing footprint of one thousand, three hundred, twenty-four square feet (1324 sq. ft.). The additional height occurs approximately fifty-eight feet (58') beyond the front wall of the historic house. Staff finds that the additional height meets the design guidelines since it occurs at least forty feet (40') behind the front wall of the historic house and does not exceed two feet (2') of additional height.

The addition is inset three feet, five inches (3'-5) on the right-side and two feet (2') on the left-side and the goes back eight feet (8') on both sides before coming back out to match the width of the historic house. The addition meets the design guidelines criteria for the addition to be inset a minimum of two feet (2') from the rear corners and for a structural alcove to be at least twice as deep as it is wide.

The project meets Section II.B.1.a.and b.

<u>Location & Removability</u>: The location of the addition at the rear of the existing building is in accordance with the design guidelines. The addition's change in materials, inset, and separate roof form help to distinguish it from the historic house and read as an addition to the house. At the same time, its scale, materials, roof form, and fenestration pattern are all compatible with the historic character of the existing house. The addition is designed so that if the addition were to be removed in the future, the historic character of the house would still be intact.

The project meets Section II.B.2.a and d.

<u>Design</u>: The design of the addition is compatible with the historic house. It attaches to the roof of the existing house with a flat-roof connector that ties into a side-gabled roof form similar to that of the historic house. Staff finds that the flat-roof connector can be appropriate here since it is replacing an existing full-width dormer that has a similar roof form to what is proposed with the addition.

The project meets Section II.B.2.a and e.

<u>Setback & Rhythm of Spacing:</u> The addition meets all base zoning setbacks as it is located approximately ten feet (10') from the left-side property line, thirteen feet, six inches (13'6") from the right-side property line, and fifty-six feet (56') from the rear property line.

The project meets Section II.B.1.c.

	Proposed	Color/Texture/ Make/Manufact urer	Approved Previously or Typical of Neighborhood	Requires Additional Review
Foundation	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Cladding	Cementitious siding	Smooth	Yes	Yes
Secondary Cladding	Board-and- batten	Smooth face	Yes	No
Roofing	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Trim	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Side/rear doors	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Driveway	Existing			

Materials:

With the condition that the siding have a maximum reveal of five inches (5") and that staff approve the final selections of the foundation material, trim, roof color, windows, and doors, staff finds that the project meets Section II.B.1.d

<u>Roof form</u>: The addition ties into the historic home with a flat roofed connector that transitions to a side gabled roof form with a pitch that is slightly steeper than the existing side gables on the historic house. Staff finds that the flat-roof connector can be appropriate here since it is replacing an existing full-width dormer that has a similar roof form to what is proposed with the addition. The rear of the addition incorporates a dormer that is set in two feet (2') from the side walls which meets the design guidelines. Staff finds that the proposed roof forms and pitches are compatible with the existing house.

The project meets Section II.B.1.e.

<u>Proportion and Rhythm of Openings</u>: No changes to the window and door openings on the existing house were indicated on the plans. The windows on the proposed addition are all generally twice as tall as they are wide, thereby meeting the historic proportions of openings. There are no large expanses of wall space without a window or door opening. Staff finds the project's proportion and rhythm of openings to meet Section II.B.1.g.

<u>Appurtenances & Utilities:</u> No changes to the site's appurtenances were indicated on the drawings. The location of the HVAC and other utilities was also not noted. Staff asks that the HVAC be located on the rear façade, or on a side façade beyond the midpoint of the house. The project meets Section II.B.1.i.

<u>Outbuilding</u>: The plans as submitted indicate that the outbuilding is intended to include a dwelling unit; however, since the base zoning is RS7.5, a DADU may not be allowed on this lot. Staff has advised the applicant to confirm the use with a zoning examiner since they determine if the use is permitted.

	MINIMUM	PROPOSED
Building located towards rear of lot	-	Yes
Space between principal building and	20'	21'
Garage	20	21
Rear setback	5'	10'
L side setback	5'	5'
R side setback	5'	6'-8"
How is the building accessed?	-	From the alley
Two different doors rather than one	_	N/A
large door (if street facing)?		

# Site Planning & Setbacks:

Staff finds that the outbuilding meets Section III.B.1.h.2 of the design guidelines.

	Existing conditions	Potential maximums (heights to be measured from grade)	Proposed (should be the same or less than the lesser number to the left)
Ridge Height	21'-9"	25'	21'-6"
Eave Height	12'	10'	10'

Massing Planning: The following charts refer to the scale of the proposed outbuilding.

For a one-story building on a lot larger than 10,000 square feet:

	Lot is more than 10,000 square feet	50% of first floor area of principle structure	Proposed footprint (maximum cannot exceed lesser number to left)
Maximum Square Footage	1,000 sq. ft.	1,298 sq. ft.	960 sq. ft.

The outbuilding meets the guidelines for scale and massing of outbuildings. Staff finds the height and scale of the proposed outbuilding meets Section III.B.1.h.1 of the design guidelines.

*Design Standards*: The materials, proportions, and overall character of the accessory structure are simple in design and compatible with the historic house. The roof form and pitch as well as the materials will match the proposed addition. The window proportions and locations are compatible with those of outbuildings historically. Staff finds the design of the proposed outbuilding to meet Section III.B.1.h.1 of the design guidelines.

# Roof Shape & Elements:

Shape

Proposed Element	<b>Proposed Form</b>	Typical of district?
Primary form	Cross gable	Yes
Primary roof pitch	10/12	Yes

## Elements

	YES	NO
If dormers are used, do they cover less than 50% of the roof plane where they are located as measured from side-to-side?	Yes	
If dormers are used, do they sit back from the wall below by at	Yes	

least 2'?		
Is the roof pitch at least 4/12?	Yes	

The roof forms and pitches of the outbuilding meet Section III.B.1.h.1 of the design guidelines.

Materials:

	Proposed	Color/Texture	Approved or Typical of Neighborhood	Requires final Review
Foundation	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Primary cladding	Cement fiberboard	Smooth	Yes	No
Secondary cladding	Board-and-batten	Smooth	Yes	No
Roofing	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Trim	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Windows	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes
Pedestrian Door	Full light	Needs final review	Yes	Yes
Vehicular Door	Not indicated	Needs final review	Unknown	Yes

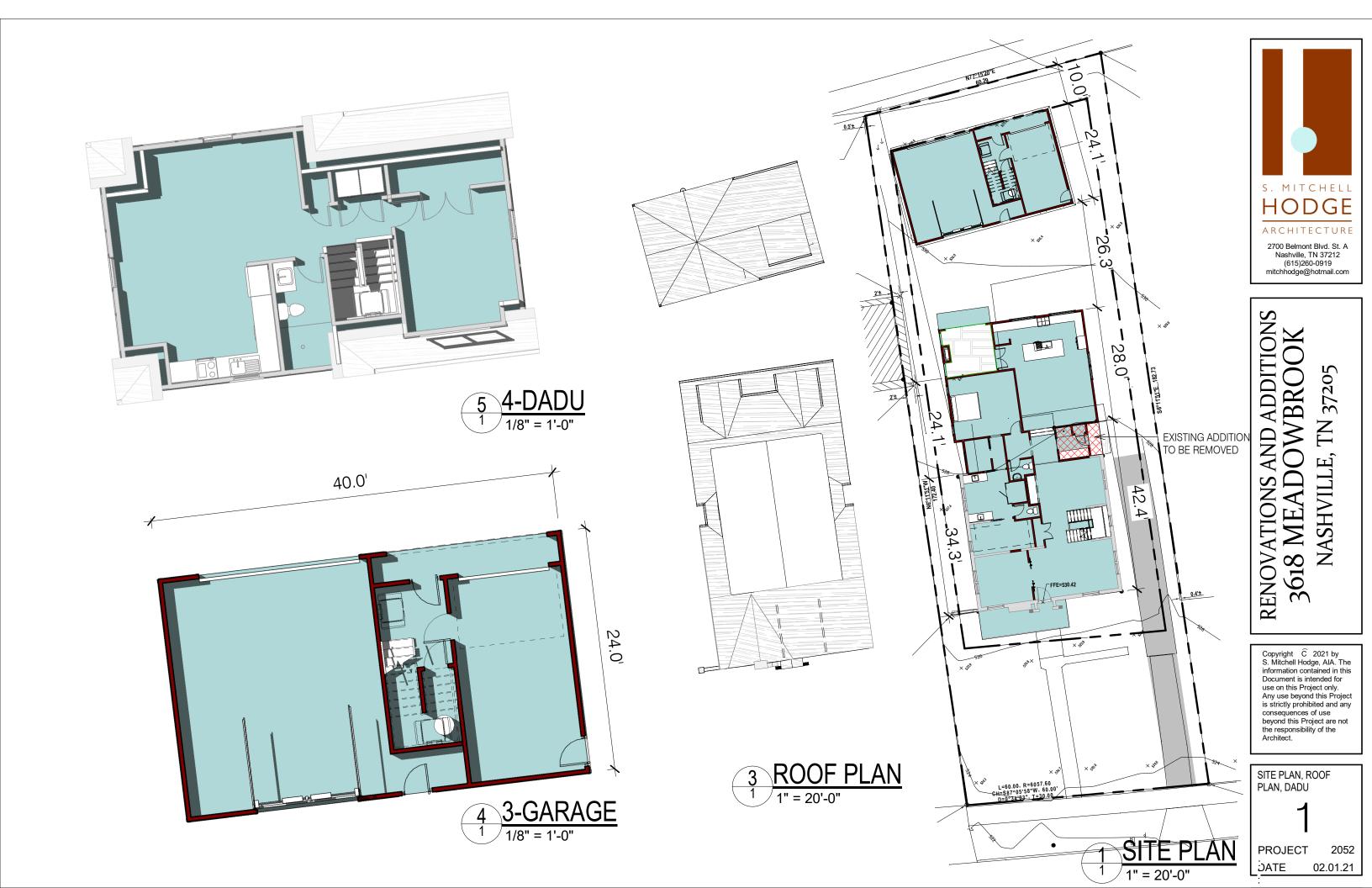
With the condition that the foundation, trim, roof color, window, and door selections are approved by MHZC staff prior to purchase and installation, the project will meet Section II.B.1.h.1 of the design guidelines.

Staff finds that the outbuilding's height, scale, setbacks, materials, location on the lot, and overall design meet Section II.B.1.h. of the design guidelines.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval with the following conditions:

- 1. Staff approve the final details, dimensions and materials of the foundation material, trim, roof color, windows and doors prior to purchase and installation;
- 2. Siding shall have a maximum reveal of five inches (5"); and,
- **3.** The HVAC shall be located behind the house or on either side, beyond the mid-point of the house, and utility meters shall be located on the side of the building, within 5' of the front corner. Alternative mechanical and utility locations must be approved prior to an administrative sign-off on building permit(s).

With these conditions, staff finds that the project meets II.B of the *Richland-West End Neighborhood Conservation Zoning District: Handbook and Design Guidelines*.



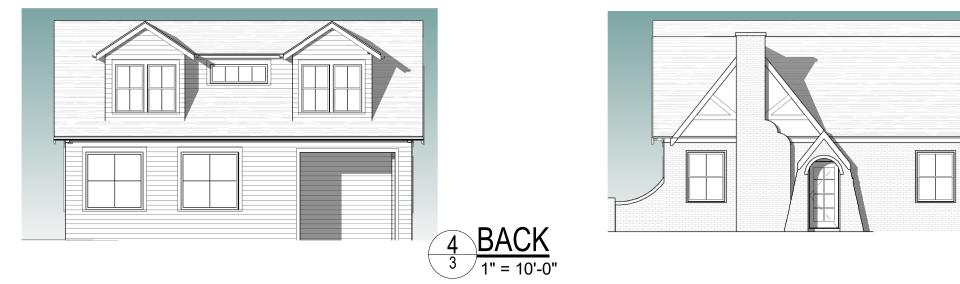




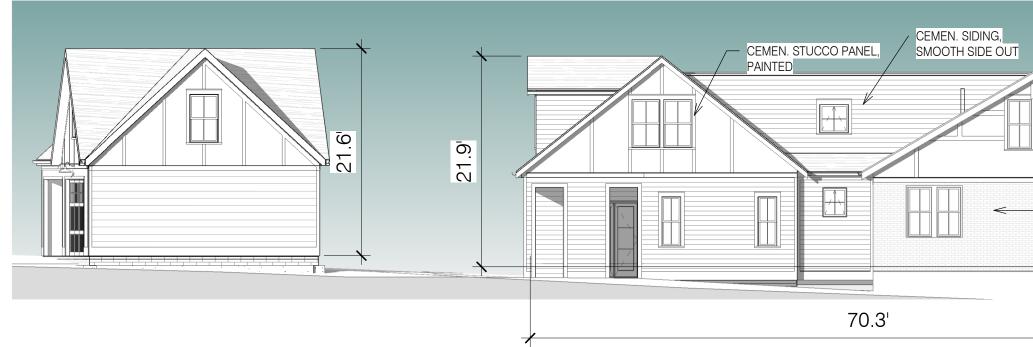
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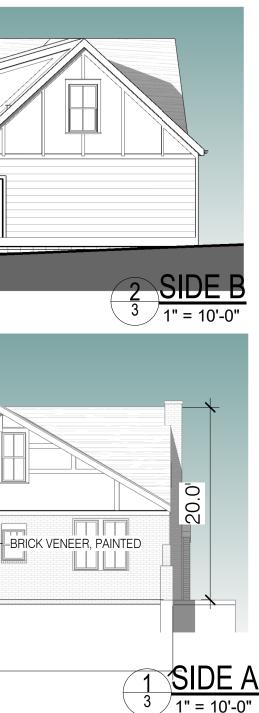










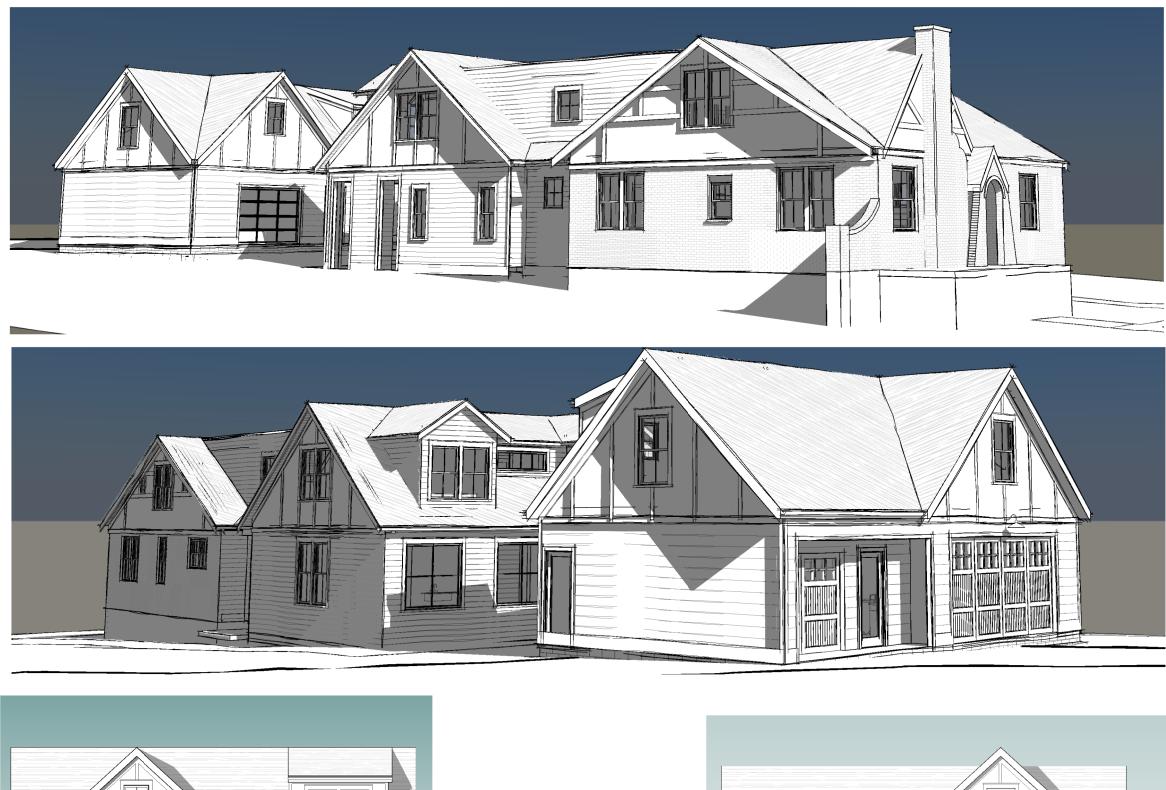






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