

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
MAY 20, 2013
APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
C14H-2007-0027
Joseph Renfro House
3707 Gilbert Street

PROPOSAL

Remove a portion of the existing non-historic rear addition, and construct a new rear-gabled rear addition along the east side of the back wall; replace the non-historic front door with a more historically-appropriate front door; paint the door and window shutters blue; construct a new rear fence.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The house has a non-historic rear addition over a two-bay garage. The applicant proposes to remove a portion of this addition and construct a new rear-gabled addition in its place, with shed-roofed dormers along the east wall, complementing the gabled dormers on the front of the house. The addition will have Colonial Revival-styled windows complementing the style of the house, and the west wall of the addition will have a partial-width shed-roofed porch. The addition will be completely hidden behind the existing side-gabled roofline of the original part of the house, and will extend only slightly beyond the east wall of the house, set back from the front façade. Siding on the addition will be a combination of horizontal hardi-plank and board-and batten, which will differentiate it from the original part of the house.

The applicant further proposes to remove the existing non-historic front door and replace it with a more historically-appropriate Colonial Revival-styled paneled door with glazing. The door and window shutters on the front of the house will be painted Salem Blue, which is appropriate for the Colonial Revival-styled house.

The applicant further proposes to replace the deteriorated non-historic wood fence in the back yard with a new 6-foot wood fence, which will not be visible from any public right-of-way.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The Commission's Standards for Review of applications for Certificates of Appropriateness include:

- Contemporary design for alterations and additions to existing properties are appropriate when such alterations and additions do not destroy significant historic, architectural, or cultural material and such design is compatible with the size, scale, color, material, and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.
- Construct new additions or alterations to structures in such a manner that if such addition or alteration were to be removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the structure will be unimpaired.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee recommended approval of the application as proposed.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

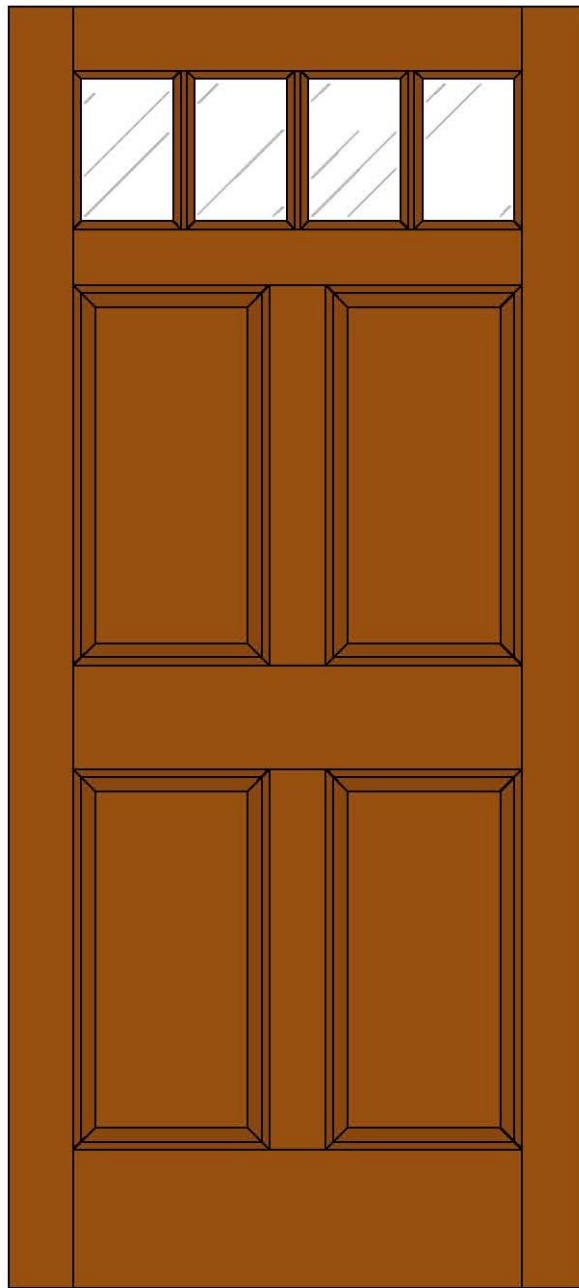
Approve the application as proposed.







Detail of proposed back yard fence



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Proposed front door