

Project Review Sheet

Committee: Landmarks Commission	Meeting Date : 10/2/2019
Agenda Item Number: 19-1322	Historic Name/District: College Ave. Historic District
LCOA and Request: 115 W. College Ave	

Details: The applicants, Richard and Sandre Hammersley, are seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for their plans to repair the porch at 115 W. College Ave. They began work without a Certificate of Appropriateness or a building permit because they believed the work wouldn't require either. They have stopped work and are now waiting for Landmarks Commission and Building Department approval.

They plan to replace the footings under the pillars supporting the porch floor. The original footing was gravel. The gravel has been or will be replaced with concrete masonry blocks. The original blocks will be used for the above-ground section of the pillars. They also plan to replace rotted wood throughout the porch, particularly the base sections of the porch pillars. The lattices, facings, and one of the pillars have already been removed for the project and have mostly been saved. Several sections of wood in the porch floor behind the facing have already been replaced with green-treated lumber. Once the footings are replaced and other repairs are complete the applicant will re-install the facings and lattices, replacing any sections that can't be saved with new wood that will appear identical to what was there previously. They will repaint the porch, including any new wood sections, to match the existing color scheme.

The William Powrie House was built in 1896, and it has a Queen Anne architectural style.

Paint and Repair Grant Information: The applicants have chosen not to apply for a Paint and Repair Grant.

Relevant Secretary of the Interior Standards:

2. The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property will be avoided.

5. Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property will be preserved.

6. Deteriorated historic features will be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of the deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature will match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features will be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.



Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for porch repair at 115 W. College Ave. with the condition that the applicant will not use green treated lumber on the facing sections.