

BEFORE THE SALEM HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION  
MAJOR - Discretionary Review  
Historic Review Case No. 17-16MOD1

**TO:** Historic Landmarks Commission

**THROUGH:** Lisa Anderson-Ogilvie, AICP, Deputy Community Development Director and Planning Administrator

**FROM:** Kimberli Fitzgerald, AICP, Historic Preservation Officer

**HEARING DATE:** December 20, 2018

**CASE NO.:** Historic Design Review Case No. HIS17-16MOD1

**APPLICATION SUMMARY:** A proposal to modify a previous historic design review approval (HIS17-16) to ~~remove window and doors and install new door and window openings on the screened porch and kitchen additions and~~ extend a privacy fence on the east end of the Byrd House.

**LOCATION:** 296 14th Street NE (Marion County Assessor map and tax lot numbers: 073W26BA11600)

**REQUEST** Major historic design review of a proposal to modify a previous historic design review approval (HIS17-16), to ~~alter the screened porch and kitchen additions on the east end of the resource by removing existing unusable windows and doors and installing new door and window openings, as well as~~ extending a previously approved privacy fence to enclose the north side of the porch addition on the William H. Byrd House, (1887), a historic contributing building within the Court Chemeketa District, on property zoned RD (Duplex Residential), and located at 296 14th St. NE, 97301; Marion County Assessor Map and Tax Lot number: 073W26BA11600.

**APPLICANT:** Connie Strong

**APPROVAL CRITERIA:** Salem Revised Code (SRC) Chapter 230  
230.065 General Guidelines for Historic Contributing Buildings

**RECOMMENDATION:** APPROVE WITH CONDITION

**CONDITION ONE:** The north kitchen porch stairs shall be reconstructed in their original location as originally approved under HIS17-16.

## **PROCEDURES**

### **Historic Landmarks Commission Review & Decision**

Under Salem Revised Code (SRC) Chapter 230, no development permit shall be issued without the approval of the Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC). The HLC shall approve, conditionally approve, or deny the application on the basis of the projects conformity with the criteria. Conditions of approval, if any, shall be limited to project modifications required to meet the applicable criteria.

According to Salem Revised Code (SRC) 230.020(f), historic design review approval shall be granted if the application satisfied the applicable standards set forth in Chapter 230. The HLC shall render its decision supported by findings that explain conformance or lack thereof with relevant design standards, state the facts relied upon in rendering the decision, and explain justification for the decision.

### **120-Day Requirement**

The state mandated 120-day deadline to issue a final local decision, including any local appeals in this case, is March 28, 2019, unless an extension is granted by the applicant.

## **APPLICATION PROCESSING**

### **Subject Application**

1. On October 3, 2018, the applicant submitted materials for a Major Historic Design Review to modify a previous historic design review application to rehabilitate the William H. Byrd House.
2. Supplemental information was submitted on November 8, 2018 and November 10, 2018. The application was deemed complete for processing on November 28, 2018.

### **Public Notice**

1. Notice of the public hearing was mailed to the owners of all property within 250 feet of the subject property on November 29, 2018 (**Attachment A**).
2. The property was posted in accordance with the posting provision outlined in SRC 300.620.

## **TESTIMONY RECEIVED**

### **Neighborhood Association Comments**

The subject property is located within the Northeast Neighbors Neighborhood Association (NEN). As of the date of publication, no comments were received from the neighborhood association.

## **Public Comments**

All property owners within the Court-Chemeketa Historic District, and those within 250 feet of the subject property were mailed notification of the proposal on November 29, 2018. Notice of public hearing was also posted on the subject property. Comments were received from Martha Schuyler Thompson, Janet Snowhill, Debra Keating, and Rick Keating.

## **Public Agency Comments**

The resource is currently on Special Assessment through the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, and has a long term preservation plan for the property in compliance with the requirements of this program. The Oregon Historic Preservation Office reviewed the associated material and had no comments.

## **City Department Comments**

The Building and Safety Division reviewed the proposal and indicated that the applicant must obtain required building permits.

## **FACTS & FINDINGS**

### **Background Information**

The Collins/Byrd House is designated as a historic contributing resource within the Court Chemeketa National Register District which has a period of significance of 1860-1937. The Collins/Byrd House was originally constructed in 1887 by George Collins and later purchased by Dr. William Byrd, and was originally located at 197 Court Street. In 1905/6 it was moved to its present location at 296 14<sup>th</sup> Street NE and soon after a small kitchen addition was added. In the late 1920s (after 1926) a screened porch and additional stairs and door to the basement were added to the north end of the kitchen (**Attachment B**).

### **Historic Design Review**

The HLC previously approved the installation of new 4' wrought iron fencing along the front (western and northern) perimeter and new 6' wooden fencing topped by a lattice at the eastern perimeter (rear) of the property under HIS17-16 (**Attachment D**).

The applicant is proposing to modify the previous approval (HIS17-16) to allow the relocation of a previously approved fence in order to improve security and enclose the kitchen/porch addition and basement entry. The applicant is requesting retroactive approval as this fencing has already been installed (**Attachment E**). The applicant initially also requested approval to alter the screened porch and kitchen additions on the east end of the resource by removing existing unusable windows and doors and installing new door and window openings, however the applicant withdrew this portion of the request on December 10, 2018 (**Attachment F**).

SRC Chapter 230.065 specifies the standards and guidelines applicable to this project. Staff has the following findings for the applicable guidelines. For the applicant's full response, please refer to **Attachment C**.

## **FINDINGS**

***(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, the property shall be used for its historic purpose, or for a similar purpose that will not alter street access, landscape design, entrance(s), height, footprint, fenestration, or massing.***

**Finding:** The property shall continue to be used as a residence, its historic purpose. The height, massing, and building footprint will not be altered. The fence is not attached to any portion of the historic resource. Staff recommends that the HLC find that this guideline has been met.

***(b) Historic materials, finishes and distinctive features shall, when possible, be preserved and repaired according to historic preservation methods, rather than restored.***

**Finding:** The applicant is not proposing to restore and rehabilitate the resource as part of the fence relocation, therefore staff recommends that the HLC find that this Guideline is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal

***(c) Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship significance shall be treated with sensitivity.***

**Finding:** The applicant is not proposing to alter any aspect of the historic resource as a part of this proposal, therefore staff recommends that the HLC find that this Guideline is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal.

***(d) Historic features shall be restored or reconstructed only when supported by physical or photographic evidence.***

**Finding:** The applicant is not proposing to restore or reconstruct any historic features, therefore staff recommends that the HLC find that this Guideline is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal.

***(e) Changes that have taken place to a historic resource over the course of time are evidence of the history and development of a historic resource and its environment, and should be recognized and respected. These changes may have acquired significance in their own right, and this significance should be recognized and respected.***

**Finding:** The applicant is not proposing to alter any aspect of the resource or site that has acquired historic significance, therefore staff recommends that the HLC find that this Guideline is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal

***(f) Additions and alterations to a historic resource shall be designed and constructed to minimize changes to the historic resource.***

**Finding:** The applicant is proposing to alter the location of a previously approved fence 6' wooden fence, with a gate and topped by a lattice. This fencing and the hardware are not attached to the resource, and located at the rear of the site (at the eastern end), does not

adversely impact the resource. Staff recommends that the HLC find that the SRC 230.065(f) has been met.

***(g) Additions and alterations shall be constructed with the least possible loss of historic materials and so that significant features are not obscured, damaged, or destroyed.***

**Finding:** The applicant has relocated the fencing on the site to encompass the northern end of the rear (eastern) kitchen addition to address security issues on the site. The fencing is not attached to the resource directly, and while a portion of this end of the house is obscured by the fencing, there are no significant features that are damaged or destroyed by the relocation of the fencing and the overall impact of this design change is minimal. However, the applicant has removed the stairs leading to the north kitchen porch door, which were approved for reconstruction under the original approval (HIS17-16), and it is unclear whether the new location of this fencing could preclude reconstructing these stairs in their original location, (**Attachment G**). Therefore, staff recommends that the HLC adopt the following **CONDITION** in order to ensure that the proposal better meets SRC 230.065(g):

**CONDITION ONE:** The north kitchen porch stairs shall be reconstructed in their original location as originally approved under HIS17-16

If it is not feasible for the applicant to meet this condition of approval, then the fencing shall be installed as originally approved under HIS17-16, or the applicant shall propose an alternative design for the either the fencing or the stairs.

***(h) Structural deficiencies in a historic resource shall be corrected without visually changing the composition, design, texture or other visual qualities.***

**Finding:** The applicant's proposal does not include any plans to correct structural deficiencies, therefore staff recommends that the HLC find that this Guideline is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal.

***(i) Excavation or re-grading shall not be allowed adjacent to or within the site of a historic resource which could cause the foundation to settle, shift, or fail, or have a similar effect on adjacent historic resources.***

**Finding:** The applicant is not proposing to excavate or regrade the site as part of this proposal, therefore staff recommends that the HLC find that Guideline 230.065 (i) is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Based upon the information presented in the application, plans submitted for review, and findings as presented in this staff report, staff recommends that the Historic Landmarks Commission **APPROVE** the proposal with the following **CONDITION**:

**CONDITION ONE:** The north kitchen porch stairs shall be reconstructed in their original location as originally approved under HIS17-16.

## **DECISION ALTERNATIVES**

1. APPROVE the proposal as submitted by the applicant and indicated on the drawings.
2. APPROVE the proposal with conditions to satisfy specific guideline(s).
3. DENY the proposal based on noncompliance with identified guidelines in SRC 230, indicating which guideline(s) is not met and the reason(s) the guideline is not met.

Attachments:

- A. Hearing Notice and Vicinity Map
- B. Excerpt from National Register Historic Resource Document and Excerpt from Marion County History Newsletter
- C. Applicant's Submittal Materials
- D. Originally approved fencing plan
- E. Photos of installed fencing
- F. Connie Strong withdrawal email
- G. Photo of removed stairway on back porch

Prepared by Kimberli Fitzgerald, AICP, Historic Preservation Officer



# HEARING NOTICE

## LAND USE REQUEST AFFECTING THIS AREA

### *Audiencia Pública*

*Si necesita ayuda para comprender esta informacion, por favor llame 503-588-6173*

<b>CASE NUMBER:</b>	Historic Design Review Case No. HIS17-16MOD1
<b>AMANDA APPLICATION NO:</b>	18-120277-DR
<b>HEARING INFORMATION:</b>	<u>Historic Landmarks Commission, Thursday, December 20, 2018, 5:30 p.m., Council Chambers, Room 240, Civic Center, 555 Liberty St SE, Salem OR 97301</u>
<b>PROPERTY LOCATION:</b>	296 14 <sup>th</sup> St NE, Salem OR 97301
<b>OWNER / APPLICANT:</b>	Connie Strong
<b>DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:</b>	<p>Summary: A proposal to modify a previous historic design review approval (HIS17-16) to remove windows and doors and install new door and window openings on the screened porch and kitchen additions and extend a privacy fence on the east end of the Byrd House.</p>
<b>CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED:</b>	<p>Request: Major historic design review of a proposal to modify a previous historic design review approval (HIS17-16), to alter the screened porch and kitchen additions on the east end of the resource by removing existing unusable windows and doors and installing new door and window openings, as well as extending a previously approved privacy fence to enclose the north side of the porch addition on the William H. Byrd House, (1887), a historic contributing building within the Court Chemeketa District, on property zoned RD (Duplex Residential), and located at 296 14th St. NE, 97301; Marion County Assessor Map and Tax Lot number: 073W26BA11600.</p> <p><b><u>MAJOR HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW</u></b></p> <p><b>General Guidelines for Historic Contributing Resources</b></p> <p>Pursuant to SRC 230.065, an application for a Major Historic Design Review proposing changes to a contributing building or structure may be approved if the proposal conforms to the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, the property shall be used for its historic purpose, or for a similar purpose that will not alter street access, landscape design, entrance(s), height, footprint, fenestration, or massing.</li> <li>(b) Historic materials, finishes and distinctive features shall, when possible, be preserved and repaired according to historic preservation methods, rather than restored.</li> <li>(c) Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship significance shall be treated with sensitivity.</li> <li>(d) Historic features shall be restored or reconstructed only when supported by physical or photographic evidence.</li> <li>(e) Changes that have taken place to a historic resource over the course of time are evidence of the history and development of a historic resource and its environment, and should be recognized and respected. These changes may have acquired significance in their own right, and this significance should be recognized and respected.</li> <li>(f) Additions and alterations to a historic resource shall be designed and constructed to minimize changes to the historic resource.</li> <li>(g) Additions and alterations shall be constructed with the least possible loss of historic materials and so that significant features are not obscured, damaged, or destroyed.</li> <li>(h) Structural deficiencies in a historic resource shall be corrected without visually changing the composition, design, texture or other visual qualities.</li> </ul>

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**HOW TO PROVIDE TESTIMONY:**

Any person wishing to speak either for or against the proposed request may do so in person or by representative at the Public Hearing. Written comments may also be submitted at the Public Hearing. Include case number with the written comments. Prior to the Public Hearing, written comments may be filed with the Salem Planning Division, Community Development Department, 555 Liberty Street SE, Room 305, Salem, Oregon 97301. Only those participating at the hearing, in person or by submission of written testimony, have the right to appeal the decision.

**HEARING PROCEDURE:**

The hearing will be conducted with the staff presentation first, followed by the applicant's case, neighborhood organization comments, testimony of persons in favor or opposition, and rebuttal by the applicant, if necessary. The applicant has the burden of proof to show that the approval criteria can be satisfied by the facts. Opponents may rebut the applicant's testimony by showing alternative facts or by showing that the evidence submitted does not satisfy the approval criteria. Any participant may request an opportunity to present additional evidence or testimony regarding the application. A ruling will then be made to either continue the Public Hearing to another date or leave the record open to receive additional written testimony.

Failure to raise an issue in person or by letter prior to the close of the Public Hearing with sufficient specificity to provide the opportunity to respond to the issue, precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) on this issue. A similar failure to raise constitutional issues relating to proposed conditions of approval precludes an action for damages in circuit court.

Following the close of the Public Hearing a decision will be issued and mailed to the applicant, property owner, affected neighborhood association, anyone who participated in the hearing, either in person or in writing, and anyone who requested to receive notice of the decision.

**CASE MANAGER:**

**Kimberli Fitzgerald, Historic Preservation Officer**, City of Salem Planning Division, 555 Liberty Street SE, Room 305, Salem, Oregon 97301. Telephone: 503-540-2397; E-mail: [kfitzgerald@cityofsalem.net](mailto:kfitzgerald@cityofsalem.net).

**NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION:**

Northeast Neighbors (NEN), Nancy McDaniel, Land Use Chair; Phone: 503-585-1669; Email: [nanmcdann@yahoo.com](mailto:nanmcdann@yahoo.com).

**DOCUMENTATION AND STAFF REPORT:**

Copies of the application, all documents and evidence submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at no cost at the Planning Division office, City Hall, 555 Liberty Street SE, Room 305, during regular business hours. Copies can be obtained at a reasonable cost. The Staff Report will be available seven (7) days prior to the hearing, and will thereafter be posted on the Community Development website:

[www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/planning-notice-decisions.aspx](http://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/planning-notice-decisions.aspx)

**ACCESS:**

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodations will be provided on request.

**NOTICE MAILING DATE:**

November 29, 2018

**PLEASE PROMPTLY FORWARD A COPY OF THIS NOTICE TO ANY OTHER OWNER, TENANT OR LESSEE.  
For more information about Planning in Salem:**

<http://www.cityofsalem.net/planning>

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TTD/TTY telephone 503-588-6439 is also available 24/7



# Vicinity Map 296 14th St NE



## Legend

-  Taxlots
-  Urban Growth Boundary
-  City Limits
-  Outside Salem City Limits
-  Historic District
-  Schools
-  Parks

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132. WILLIAM H. BYRD HOUSE (1887) PRIMARY (Contributing)  
296 14th Street NE; Assessor's Map 26BA073W; 073W-26BA-08800; Tax Lot 1-86010-100  
Owner: Martha M. Byrd Blau, 296 14th Street NE, Salem, Oregon 97301

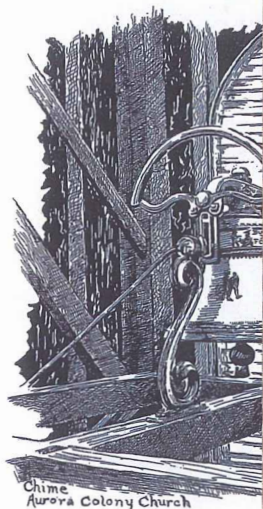
Description: This Queen Anne/Eastlake style house was built in 1887 at 197 Court (northwest corner of Court and Church) and moved to its present site, the southwest corner of 14th and Chemeketa Streets, in 1906 (Oregon Statesman, Jan. 1, 1907, p. 7). The cost of moving and "enlarging" the residence was \$750, according to the Statesman. It is a one-and-one-half-story structure with most of its Queen Anne/Eastlake details and patterns intact. The complex roof line incorporates a flat-topped, hipped roof that rises to a hipped peak toward the south and gives way to a front-facing (west) gabled bay and side-facing gables on the north and south. The south gable is capped with a hip. Two elaborate brick interior chimneys add to the variety of roof forms. In addition, the house originally had extensive roof cresting, now limited to the porch roof. Elaborate decorative woodwork ornaments the gables, windows (capped by finely carved pediments), and indeed most of the wall surfaces: the horizontal shiplap is varied with vertical boarding along the upper walls above the windows. An attached three-bay porch with a dropped roof faces west at the north corner. It is balustraded and columned with turned supports, with the columns bracketed at the top. The oriel windows on the south and west originally were crowned with balustraded second-story porches, now removed. There is a one-story shed addition at the rear.

Cultural Data: The house was built by George Collins and bought a few years later by Dr. William H. Byrd. He had been born in Marion County in 1854, the oldest of eight children of Lorenzo A. and Martha (Savage) Byrd. Lorenzo Byrd crossed the plains in 1846 and settled on a donation land claim in the Waldo Hills. The homestead was purchased in 1850 by Dr. John Savage, who came to Oregon in 1850. His daughter, Martha, married Lorenzo Byrd in 1854.

Their son attended local schools, read medicine under the supervision of Salem doctors, studied medicine in San Francisco, and earned his M.D. at the Willamette University medical school in 1881. He practiced in Salem for nearly 50 years. He married Theresa Holderness of Salem in 1882, and they had a daughter, Winnifred, who became a prominent musician. After Mrs. Byrd's death, Dr. Byrd married Margaret Marcum in 1890 and had two sons, Clarence and Donald (Clarke, vol. 2, pp. 200-201; Hines, pp. 528-529, and Lockley, Oregon Journal, August 11, 1926). Dr. Byrd purchased the lot on which this house stands in Watts Addition in 1905 (cf. commentary on #131) and moved the house to this site the next year. He bought adjoining lots to the south in the next few years and built three Craftsman Bungalows now located there in about 1910 (cf. commentary on #133-135). He seems not to have lived in #132 after he moved it. It was given as a wedding gift to Clarence in 1921 and is still lived in by Clarence's daughter, Martha Byrd Blau. Dr. Byrd died in 1929 (obituaries, Capital Journal, Feb. 4, 1929, pp. 1 and 11, and Oregon Statesman, Feb. 5, 1929)



# Marion County HISTORY



ARION COUNTY HISTOR

## CLARENCE BYRD HOUSE, SALEM

Described by Martha Byrd Blau

Owner: Martha Byrd Blau

Date of Construction: 1887

The house was built in 1887 by George Collins on the N.W. corner of Court and Church Streets, across Court St. from the Old Court House. Dr. William Henry Byrd, a well known Salem physician bought the house a few years later as a home for his family, consisting of his wife, Margaret Macrum, daughter Winifred, and sons, Clarence and Donald. About 1910, the house was moved to its present location on the S.E. corner of 14th and Chemeketa Sts. Dr. Byrd built a larger house on Court St. which was also moved in the 30's to make room for the Standard Oil station. In 1921, Dr. Byrd gave this house to his son Clarence as a wedding gift, and Clarence remained in possession until his death in 1975, living in it until the last months of his life. His daughter Martha, is the present owner and the compiler of this information.

Dr. W. H. Byrd was one of the sons of Oregon pioneer, Lorenza A. Byrd, who settled on a land grant farm at Fairfield,

a once flourishing river port north of Salem.

The house is of wood construction, originally on a brick foundation-now wood. There was a decorative iron grillwork on top of the roof gables. The metal roofed bay windows had wooden railings, matching those on the front porch and down the steps. As far as anyone remembers, it has always been painted an off-white or cream color. The woodwork inside the house as well as the very solid and wide front door is a beautiful combination of redwood or cedar with two woods of a lighter shade.

The bedroom doors upstairs, are prime examples of the art of painting wood graining. The unusual mantel of the living room fireplace is paint over metal to resemble marble and is embellished with painted flower stencil designs. The floors are 3½" wide fir planking. There are three ornate plaster ceiling medallions, two in the living room and one in the downstairs front bedroom. The wood-lift at the rear of the front hall was removed to make a passageway from doorway to kitchen, which with back porch, was added in the 1920's. There are some other alterations but the best original features have been preserved.





**Historic Alteration Review Worksheet**

Site Address: 296 14th Street NE Salem OR 97301

Resource Status: Contributing  Non- Contributing  Individual Landmark

Type of Work Activity Proposed: Major  Minor

Chose One: Commercial District  Individual Resource  Public District   
Residential District  Sign

**Replacement, Alteration, Restoration or Addition of:**

**Architectural Feature:**

- Awning
- Door
- Exterior Trim, Lintel
- Other architectural feature
- Roof/Cornice
- Masonry/Siding
- Storefront
- Window(s) Number of windows: 5

**Landscape Feature:**

- Fence
- Streetscape
- Other Site feature (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**New:**

- Addition
- Accessory Structure
- Sign
- Mural
- Accessibility Ramp
- Energy Improvements
- Mechanical Equipment
- Primary Structure

Will the proposed alteration be visible from any public right-of-way?  Yes  No

Project's Existing Material: wood, screen, glass Project's New Material: wood, glass

**Project Description**

Briefly provide an overview of the type of work proposed. Describe how it meets the applicable design criteria in SRC Chapter 230. Please attach any additional information (i.e., product specification sheets) that will help staff and the HLC clearly understand the proposed work:

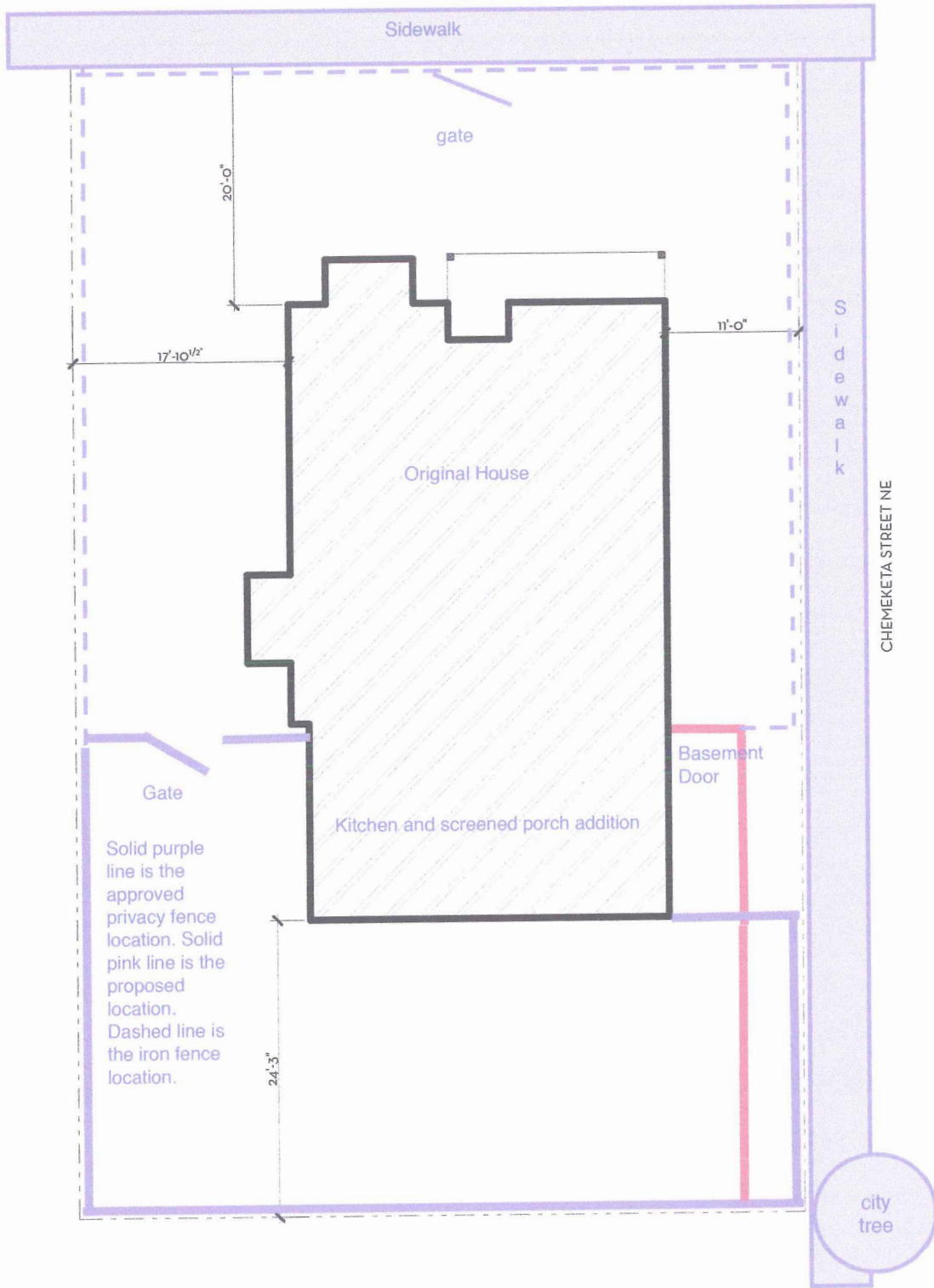
1. ~~Modify the screened porch and kitchen additions on the back of the main house to make them habitable. Remove screened openings in porch and unused porch door to missing stairs. Move existing kitchen entry (east side) to the right. Install salvaged divided light wood windows. These antique windows are consistent with the neighborhood and the era of the addition being modified and are not intended to match the earlier main house. Level the kitchen and reinforce the foundation at the southeast corner pending engineer's advice.~~
2. Extend the approved fence to enclose the kitchen/porch addition and basement entry. This improves security for the home and sets the much smaller addition apart from the original structure. Set the fence 2.5 feet back from the sidewalk to reduce impact to pedestrians and improve sight lines for the neighborhood.

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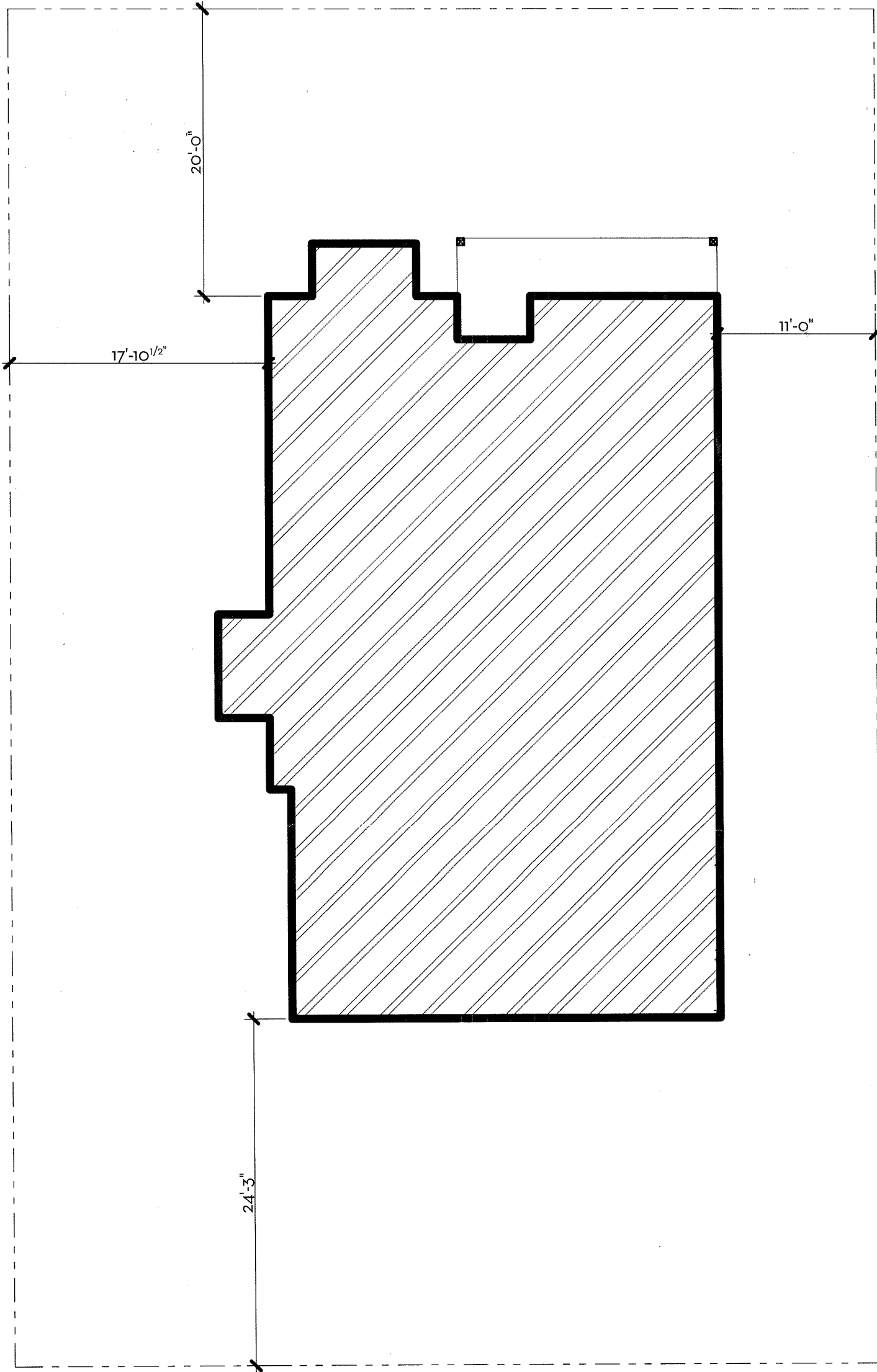
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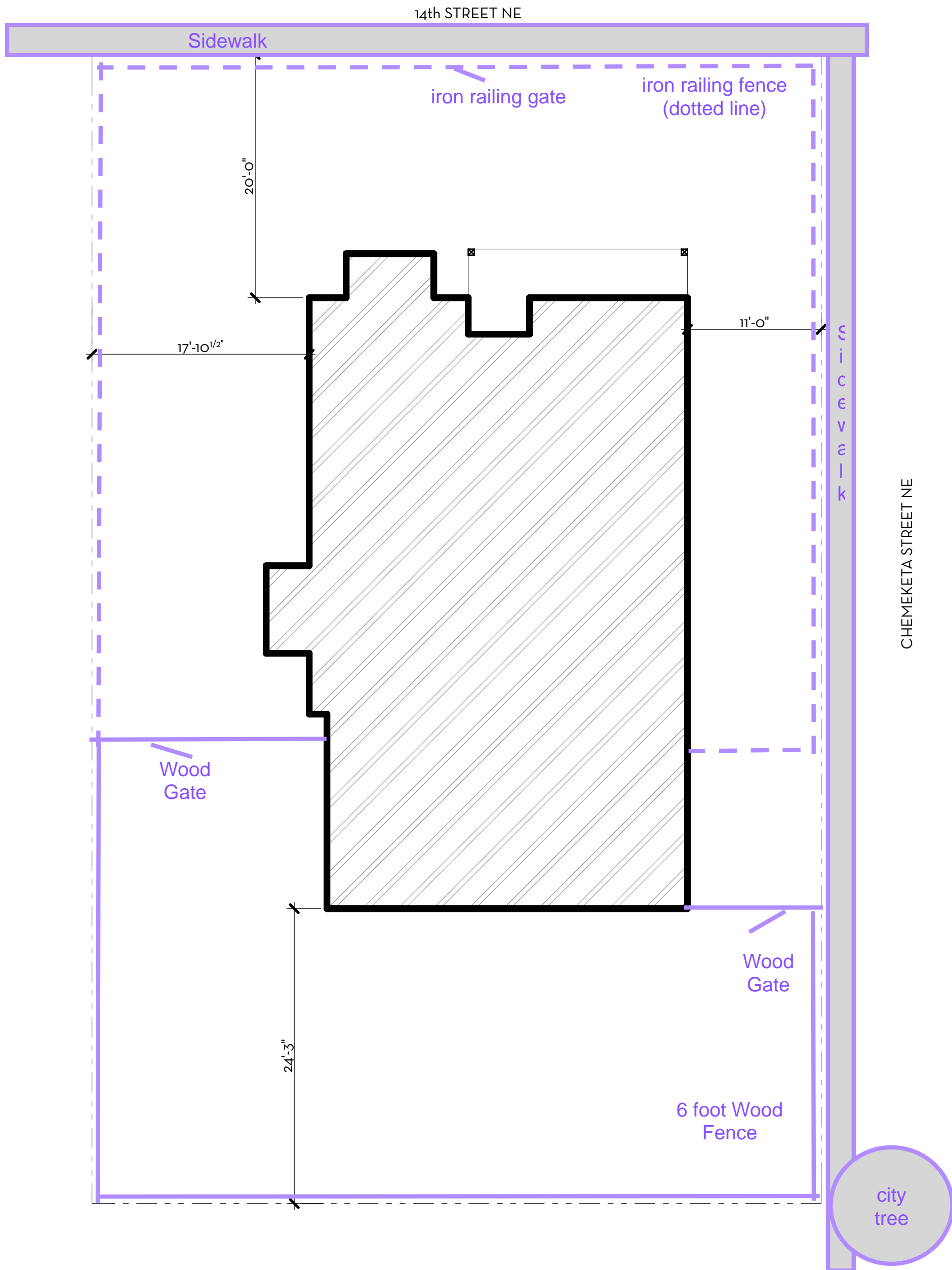
# 296 14th Street



14th STREET NE



CHEMEKETA STREET NE







296 14<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Salem, 97301  
Modification to approval HIS17-16

We propose to extend the previously-approved privacy fence to enclose the Chemeketa side of the non-historic back porch addition. This would improve security by enclosing the current basement door, which opens to the sidewalk. It would also screen the trash and recycling bins. The gate location would remain on the path at the left edge of the photo above.

In addition, we propose to install the Chemeketa section of privacy fence three feet back from the sidewalk, rather than at the property line as previously approved. We believe a set-back will improve the site-lines within the neighborhood and decreases the impact to pedestrians.

Please see the attached drawing. The pink line represents the change we wish to make. The purple lines are what has been approved.

Both sets of adjacent neighbors (Rick and Debra Keating on Chemeketa and Janet Snowhill on 14<sup>th</sup> Street) helped design this solution.



Correspondence with applicant re: HIS17-16MOD1  
296 14<sup>th</sup> St NE

**From:** Connie Strong <[conniestrong@comcast.net](mailto:conniestrong@comcast.net)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 8, 2018 4:41 PM  
**To:** Kimberli Fitzgerald  
**Cc:** Hugo & Zenaída Pérez  
**Subject:** Re: HLC Staff Report

Hi Kimberli,

Your message is timely. After corresponding with Hugo and Jerry over the last week, I have decided to suspend any work on the porch and kitchen. These two joined structures were never more than dressed-up sheds. They lack sufficient framing, plumbing, electrical, heating, insulation capacity or structural strength to justify renovating. Apart from their other deficiencies, our experience with the rest of the house suggests that the rot from sitting on and in wet soil for decades makes them unsalvageable.

Your dates are correct. The kitchen was added in 1906 and the porch between 1927 and 1930, based on the fire maps on file at the Salem Library. Joy told me that it is non-historic, but it sounds like the criteria are different for the city's purposes.

Please confirm that the meeting is Wednesday at 2:00, not Tuesday. I hope we can still meet to ensure that the other elements of restoration are on track for completion, and so we can discuss options for the long term.

I am unable to be there tomorrow for the neighborhood open house due to family needs, but will be back for the meeting.

Take care,  
Connie

Back Porch Stairs of 296 14<sup>th</sup> St NE  
View from May 2012  
HIS17-16MOD1

