

**Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission
Architectural Review Committee
June 26, 2013 Meeting Minutes
Oak Park Village Hall, Room 215 – 7:30 pm**

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Garret Eakin, Frank Heitzman, Rosanne McGrath, Tom Sundling
ABSENT: Greg Battoglia
STAFF: Douglas Kaarre, Urban Planner

B. MINUTES

- C. **221 S. Harvey Avenue (Oak Homes Corporation)**: Provide feedback on revisions to second floor addition (forwarded from the June 13 HPC meeting)

The committee review three options submitted by the applicants, who were not in attendance. Option 1 retained the front-facing gable but lowered it by several feet and included one south-facing skylight. Options 1A and 1B had differing shingle patterns in the gable. Option 2 turned the addition to provide a side-facing gable. Option three replaced the addition with two shed dormers.

The committee agreed that Option 1 was the most appropriate. However, they noted that the gable end should be simplified by replacing the shingles with siding. The skylight should be removed as it does not meet the Guidelines. They also agreed that the existing porch railings, while not original, should be retained as it is part of the character of the house. They also agreed that the center column should not be added unless necessary.

- D. **145 S. East Avenue (Massic)**: Provide feedback on proposed new front porch and garage expansion

Errol Kirsch, project architect, stated that they are proposing to add a full-width front porch to the house, located on the corner of S. East and Pleasant. The Sanborn map shows there was one originally, but it was replaced in the past with a concrete patio and stoop. There are no historic photos of the original porch. The rear garage was constructed in 1929 with two wing additions in 1976. They propose to move the south garage door to face the alley, expand the garage into the rear yard, recess the garage doors 2 feet, and reuse the rear windows. They have been working with Carol Dyson at the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.

The committee discussed several alternatives to the garage addition, but agreed the proposed solution met the Guidelines.

The committee discussed the front porch design and recommended a sloping/hip roof with a shallow pitch, which is more traditional to the period. They also agreed with the proposed siding repair and window changes on the rear south elevation of the house.

ADJOURN

Motion by McGrath to adjourn. Second by Eakin. Motion approved: 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Minutes prepared by Douglas Kaarre, Urban Planner.