

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
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APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
LHD-2020-0001
4000 AVENUE C
HYDE PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

PROPOSAL

Construct a one-story rear addition to the primary house, remove a rear addition, and construct a front addition to a two-story garage attached to the rear of the house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan house with combination side-gable and hipped roof, brick cladding, 6:6 wood-sash windows, and a gable-roofed entry portico. The attached rectangular-plan garage is capped with a hipped roof and clad in brick, with 6:6 wood-sash windows and two roll-up doors.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The proposed project has four parts:

- 1) Construct a one-story rear addition to the building. The addition will be clad in brick to match existing, have multi-lite wood-sash or clad-wood windows, and be capped by a gabled roof. It will have a footprint of 322 square feet;
- 2) Remove a small rear addition on the west (rear) wall;
- 3) Construct a smaller rear addition on the west (rear) wall, capped with a hipped roof and clad in brick; and
- 4) Construct a 12' deep, two-story front addition to the two-story garage dwelling unit at the rear of the lot. The addition will be clad in brick to match existing and feature multi-lite wood-sash or clad-wood windows. The addition will have a footprint of 305 square feet and will be set back 35'3" from the front wall of the house and 50'9" from the front property line.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The property is contributing to the Hyde Park Historic District. The following requirements from the historic district design standards apply to the proposed project:

Residential Standards: Additions

4.1 Construct additions so as to require the removal or modification of a minimum of historic fabric. Do not construct additions which will require the removal of any portion of the front façade. Design additions to existing residential buildings to reflect the form and style of the existing house.

The rear addition will entail the removal of a portion of the rear wall of the house; it will reflect the form and style of the existing house. The garage addition will entail the removal of the front wall of the attached garage, which is a secondary element with a substantial setback from the primary façade. It will reflect the form and style of the existing house and existing front garage wall. The project somewhat meets this standard.

4.2 Locate new additions and alterations to the rear or rear side of the building so that they will be less visible from the street.

The rear addition is located at the rear wall of the house, while the garage addition is located at the front wall of the garage, a secondary element. The project somewhat meets this standard.

4.3.1 Make the pitch and height of the roof of the addition compatible with that of the existing house.

The roof pitch and height of the rear and garage additions match existing. The project meets this standard.

4.3.2 Make windows visible from the street on any addition compatible with those on the existing house in terms of sash configuration, proportion, spacing, and placement.

Windows on the additions match existing. The project meets this standard.

4.3.3 Use exterior siding materials on the addition which match or are compatible with that of the existing house.

The siding on the additions matches existing. The project meets this standard.

4.4.1 Design additions to have the same floor-to-ceiling height as the existing house.

The addition will have the same floor-to-ceiling height as existing. The project meets this standard.

4.4.3 Design additions so that they do not overwhelm the original building.

The rear addition is subordinate to the existing house. The garage addition extends the front wall of the garage forward by 12', but is still set back 35'3" from the front wall of the house and 50'9" from the front property line. The project largely meets this standard.

Garage Apartments/Secondary Units

5.10.1. Retain the historic appearance of contributing garages and carriage houses when designing an addition.

The garage front addition retains the visual character of the garage, with similar brick cladding, window openings, and window type and material. The project largely meets this standard.

The proposed project largely meets the applicable standards.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Not reviewed.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve the plans. A rear addition to the garage would be preferable, but the garage is a secondary element, the front addition will have a similar character, and the spatial relationship of the garage to the house will be very similar, with a substantial setback remaining.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: LHD-2020-0001
LOCATION: 4000 Avenue C



1" = 134'

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PROPERTY INFORMATION

Photos



Primary (east) façade of 4000 Avenue C, with attached garage at right.



Secondary (south) façade.



Primary (east) façade of attached garage.