

### APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – STAFF REPORT

057-18-CA 611 N EAST STREET

Applicant: EVAN COVINGTON CHAVEZ

Received: 04-19-2018 Meeting Date(s):

<u>Submission date + 90 days</u>: 07-08-2018 1) 05/24/2018 2) 3)

# INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION

Historic District: OAKWOOD HISTORIC DISTRICT

Zoning: HOD-G

Nature of Project: Demolish shed

**Staff Notes:** 

- Unified Development Code section 10.2.15.E.1 provides that "An application for a
  certificate of appropriateness authorizing the demolition or destruction of a building,
  structure or site within any Historic Overlay District...may not be denied.... However,
  the authorization date of such a certificate may be delayed for a period of up to 365 days
  from the date of issuance.... If the Commission finds that the building, structure or
  site has no particular significance or value toward maintaining the character of the
  Historic Overlay District or Historic Landmark, it shall waive all or part of such period
  and authorize earlier demolition or removal."
- COAs mentioned are available for review.

## APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF GUIDELINES and DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

Sections	Topic	Description of Work
4.2	Demolition	Demolish shed

### STAFF REPORT

Based on the information contained in the application and staff's evaluation:

- A. Demolition of an accessory building is not incongruous in concept; hower, demolition of an an accessory building that contributes to the overall historic character is incongruous in concept according to *Guidelines* 1.3.1, 1.3.3, 4.2.1, 4.2.2, 4.2.3, 4.2.4, 4.2.5, 4.2.6, 4.2.7, 4.2.8, and paragraph one on page 82, and the following suggested facts:
- 1\* From the "Inventory of Structures in The Oakwood National Register Historic Districts" Raleigh, North Carolina By Matthew Brown, Historian, Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood Researched and written from 2004 to 2015: 609-611 N. East St. Stronach-Chavez House c.1936 This Craftsman frame two-story and its twin at 605-607 were among the six houses in Oakwood built in the 1930s for James Norfleet Stronach, Sr., a landowner

and minor developer. This and its twin were built as side-by-side duplexes, hence the double entrance.

2\* Brown describes the accessory buildings:

There is a saddle-roofed one-car frame garage built in c.1936, to be used by the residents of 611. It is sided in vertical boards. It has been converted to a shed.

There is a saddle-roofed two-car frame garage also built in c.1936, to be shared by the residents of 607 and 609. It is sided in vertical boards. The upper corner of the doorways are clipped.

- 3\* The shed is in the rear yard at the northwest corner of the property and includes a brick foundation.
- 4\* The twin accessory building at 605 N East St, in the southwest corner of the property, was approved for demolition in 2016 (COA 148-16-CA) with a 365-day demolition delay imposed.
- 5\* When this property and the property to the south are considered together and prior to the demolition of the similar shed at 605 N East St, the twin duplex buildings and the mirror-image design and layout of the accessory buildings formed an ensemble that is significant as a rare surviving example of coordinated multi-parcel development during the Oakwood Historic District's period of significance. The removal of the accessory building at 605 N East St had a negative impact on the development symmetry displayed by these structures on the two parcels, leaving its twin building near the north property line of 611 N East St an orphan.
- 6\* A statement from the application lacks substantiation: "Given that both properties are identical, the removal of one shed on each property would not impact the historic integrity of the site."
- 7\* The accessory building has been altered in its conversion into a shed. The original garage opening in the east façade of the building has been infilled and covered with lattice, and a 2-panel door has been added.
- 8\* The application presents one photograph highlighting "deterioration of wood along foundation" on the south elevation of the building. No additional evidence is presented

- that the deterioration is so extensive that the building cannot be repaired for extended service.
- 9\* Following demolition, the site of the accessory building will be used for a garden and grassy area. A post-demolition site plan was not provided, and no specific information is included in the application regarding the location and dimensions of the garden.
- 10\* The structure "would be demolished by hand so as not to damage surrounding trees and environment." A tree protection plan was not provided.
- 11\* Materials are proposed to be salvaged for repairs to the accessory building that straddles the property line between 605 and 609-611.

Staff suggests that the committee approve the application with the following conditions:

- 1. That a 365-day demolition delay be imposed.
- 2. That tree protection plans be implemented and remain in place for the duration of demolition.
- 3. That prior to the issuance of the blue placard the following be provided to and approved by staff:
  - a. full documentation of the building with photographs and measured, scaled drawings;
  - b. location and dimensions of the garden, shown in a post-demolition site plan;
  - c. a tree protection plan.

# Raleigh Historic Development Commission – Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) Application



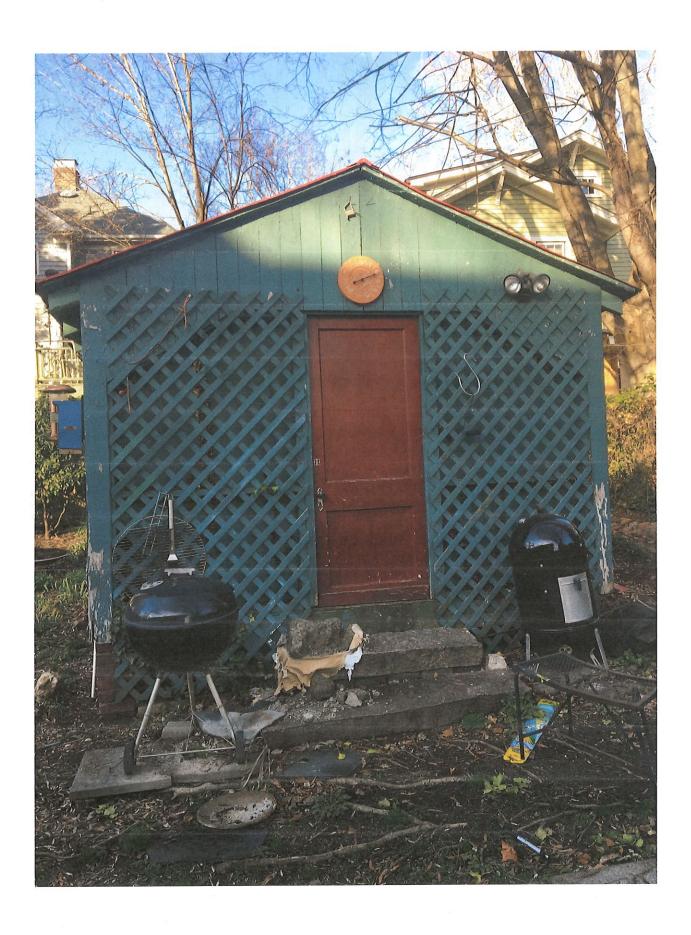
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<ul> <li>Minor Work (staff review) – 1 copy</li> <li>✓ Major Work (COA Committee review) – 10 copies</li> <li>☐ Additions Greater than 25% of Building Squar</li> <li>☐ New Buildings</li> <li>☐ Demo of Contributing Historic Resource</li> <li>☐ All Other</li> <li>☐ Post Approval Re-review of Conditions of Approval</li> </ul>	Fee
Property Street Address 611 N. East St.	
Historic District Historic Oakwood	
Historic Property/Landmark name (if applicable)	
Owner's Name Evan Covington Chavez & Edwin Cha	avez
Lot size .13 (width in feet) 51	(depth in feet) 107
For applications that require review by the COA Committee (M of all properties within 100 feet (i.e. both sides, in front (across of public streets or alleys ( <u>Label Creator</u> ).	lajor Work), provide addressed, stamped envelopes to owners s the street), and behind the property) not including the width
Property Address	Property Address
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Minor Work Approval (office use only)							
Upon being signed and dated below by the Planning Director or designee, this application becomes the Minor Work Certificate of							
Appropriateness. It is valid until Please post the e	enclosed placard form of the certificate as indicated at						
the bottom of the card. Issuance of a Minor Work Certificate shall not relieve the applicant, contractor, tenant, or property owner from							
obtaining any other permit required by City Code or any law. Minor Works are subject to an appeals period of 30 days from the date							
of approval.							
Signature (City of Raleigh)	Date						

	TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT			BY CITY STAFF		
		YES	N/A	YES	.NO	N/A
and other	Attach 8-1/2" $\times$ 11" or 11" $\times$ 17" sheets with written descriptions and drawings, photographs, and other graphic information necessary to completely describe the project. Use the checklist below to be sure your application is complete.		0 0			
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Major W	Major Work (COA Committee review) – 10 copies			1		
1.	Written description. Describe clearly and in detail the nature of your project. Include exact dimensions for materials to be used (e.g. width of siding, window trim, etc.)	X				
2.	Description of materials (Provide samples, if appropriate)					
3.	<b>Photographs</b> of existing conditions are required. Minimum image size 4" x 6" as printed. Maximum 2 images per page.		#			V
4.	Paint Schedule (if applicable)					
5.	Plot plan (if applicable). A plot plan showing relationship of buildings, additions, sidewalks, drives, trees, property lines, etc., must be provided if your project includes any addition, demolition, fences/walls, or other landscape work. Show accurate measurements. You may also use a copy of the survey you received when you bought your property. Revise the copy as needed to show existing conditions and your proposed work.	X		V		
6.	Drawings showing existing and proposed work					
	☐ Plan drawings					
	☐ Elevation drawings showing the façade(s)					
	□ Dimensions shown on drawings and/or graphic scale (required)					
	□ 11" x 17" or 8-1/2" x 11" reductions of full-size drawings. If reduced size is so small as to be illegible, make 11" x 17" or 8-1/2" x 11" snap shots of individual drawings from the big sheet.					
7.	Stamped envelopes addressed to all property owners within 100 feet of property not counting the width of public streets and alleys (required for Major Work). Use the <u>Label Creator</u> to determine the addresses.	X				
8.	Fee (See Development Fee Schedule)					



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1704920104 MOORE, TOVE A 604 N BLOODWORTH ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1228

1704921005 SCHWETZ, ROSELLE WILL 523 E EDENTON ST RALEIGH NC 27601-1127

1704921310 STARKEY, BRIAN H FINALDI, LISA A 702 N BLOODWORTH ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1230

1704922183 BEAMAN, OLIVER J JR BEAMAN, MELISSA H 521 N BOUNDARY ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1952 1704920008 MCMAHAN, JAMES HOWARD MCMAHAN, BARBARA S 602 N BLOODWORTH ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1228

1704920200 CALVERT, JOHN J SR CALVERT, CHRISTINE B 610 N BLOODWORTH ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1228

1704921100 DUDZINSKI, PAUL J DUDZINSKI, RITA ANNE 605 N EAST ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1237

1704922050 HESTER, JOSEPH EILER, KENNAN 501 N BOUNDARY ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1952

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1704922078 TRACY, JOSHUA 616 N EAST ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1238

1704922285 KITCHENER, BARRY S KITCHENER, NANCY E 624 N EAST ST RALEIGH NC 27604-1238