Staff Report

Historic Review of Exterior Alterations & Adjustment

September 21, 2020

Summary
This application is to alter the exterior of a single-family residence rated historic contributing within the Monteith National Historic District and adjust the minimum driveway dimension standards. This circa 1935 structure is rated historic contributing within the Monteith National Historic District (Attachment B). The property is located at 821 Maple Street on the east side of Maple Street (Attachment A), mid-block between 9th and 8th Avenues within the Hackleman Monteith zoning district. Alterations noted in the Historic Resources Survey include an addition to the rear chimney and an entry gable. The applicant is proposing to convert the existing detached garage into additional living space. Proposed exterior alterations include replacing the existing garage door with new double swing doors, replace existing siding and trim with like materials as needed, a new 8-lite glass paneled door on the southern elevation, two new wood clad windows to replace the existing windows (same dimensions), addition of skylights on the roof of the northern elevation, and the addition of a window of the upper gable on the eastern elevation.

The requested adjustment is to address an existing nonconforming driveway. Parking requirements in Article 9, Table 9-1 require two off-street parking spaces per single-family residence. ADC 3.250(2) defines a parking space as a paved area that is at least 10 feet wide and 20 feet long. According to the applicant’s submitted materials, the existing driveway is 39 feet wide and roughly 11 feet wide.

Review criteria for Historic Review of Exterior Alterations (ADC 7.120) and Adjustment (ADC 2.080) are addressed in this staff report. These criteria must be met to grant approval of this application.

Application Information
Review Body: Staff (Type I-L review)
Staff Report Prepared By: Tony Mills, Project Planner
Property Owner: Sarah Whiteside; 821 Maple Street SW, Albany, Oregon 97321
Applicant: G Christianson Construction; 644 NW 4th Street, Corvallis, Oregon 97330
Address/Location: 821 Maple Albany, Oregon 97321
Map/Tax Lot: Linn County Assessor’s Map No.; 11S-04W-12AD Tax Lot 5800
Zoning: Hackleman Monteith (HM) & Monteith Historic District
Total Land Area: .05 acres
Existing Land Use: Single-Family Home
Neighborhood: Central Albany
Surrounding Zoning: North: Hackleman Monteith District (HM)
East: Hackleman Monteith District (HM) (Across Maple Street)
South: Hackleman Monteith District (HM)
West: Hackleman Monteith District (HM)
Surrounding Uses: North: Residential Single-Family  
East: Residential Single-Family (across Maple Street) 
South: Residential Single-Family 
West: Residential Single-Family  

Prior History: No prior land use history.  

Notice Information  
Notices were mailed to surrounding property owners within 100 feet of the subject property on July 28, 2020. At the time the comment period ended August 11, 2020, the Albany Planning Division had received no comments.  

Analysis of Development Code Criteria  

Historic Review  
Review Criteria (ADC 7.120)  
The Director will approve residential alteration requests if one of the following criteria is met: 

a. There is no change in historic character, appearance, or material composition from the existing structure.  
b. The proposed alteration materially duplicates the affected exterior building features as determined from an early photograph, original building plans, or other evidence of original building features.  
c. The proposed alteration is not visible from the street. 

Findings of Fact  
1. The residential structure located at 821 Maple Street SW (Attachment A) is identified as Historic Contributing within the Monteith Historic District. Per the historic resources survey, this circa 1935 square style house includes such features as colonial pilasters and an entablature entry way with rakeboard and frieze. Noted alterations include a rear chimney and a gable over the entryway (Attachment B). Additionally, a detached garage located on the property (north of the residence) is identified in the historic resources survey as a historic structure.  
2. These structures are located on a 0.05-acre parcel along the western side of maple street, mid-block between 8th Avenue and 9th Avenue. The site consists of a 1,416 square foot, two-story residential structure with an approximately 320 square-foot garage to the north. The house is setback approximately five feet from the front property line along Maple Street.  
3. On the western elevation (partially visible from the street) the applicant proposes to:  
   a. Replace the existing sliding garage door with a wide throw hinged double door and a solid panel (Attachment C). 
   b. The new door will utilize like for like materials to match the appearance of the existing siding and trim (Attachment C).  
4. On the southern elevation (not visible from the right-of-way), the applicant proposes to:  
   a. Replace existing windows with wood double hug windows to match existing size, style, and materials (Attachment C).  
   b. Install a new 10-lite door to match the style of the windows. (Attachment C).  
5. On the eastern elevation (not visible from the right-of-way) the applicant proposes to:  
   a. Replace existing windows with wood double-hug windows to match existing windows size, style, and materials (Attachment C).  
   b. Add a new window in the upper gable. The proposed new window will match the size style, shape, and materials of the other windows (Attachment C).
6. On the northern elevation (not visible from the right-of-way) the applicant proposes to:
   a. Install two new sky lights on the north facing portion of the roof not visible from the right-of-way (Attachment C).

7. Application materials include elevation drawing of the existing structure with notes describing the proposed alterations (Attachment C).

Conclusions
1. Only one of the review criteria in ADC 7.120(1) must be met for the proposed alterations to be approved.
2. The proposal is to convert a detached garage into habitable space. The proposed alterations that are visible from the right-of-way will not alter or change the exterior appearance of the structure, meeting the criteria in ADC 7.120(1)(a).
3. All other proposed alterations are not visible from the right-of-way, meeting the criteria in ADC 7.120(c).
4. This application satisfies the review criteria for a director-level decision based on compliance with ADC 7.120(1)(a) and (c) with conditions.

Condition
Condition 1  All work shall be completed in accordance with the applicable building code requirements.

Adjustment Review

Review Criteria
Section 2.080 of the ADC includes the following review criteria, which must be met for this application to be approved. Code criteria are written in bold and are followed by findings, conclusions, and conditions of approval where conditions are necessary to meet the review criteria.

Criterion 1
The adjustment is not requested to avoid a land use review process or increase density; AND

Findings of Fact
1.1 The applicant is requesting an adjustment to the single-family residence parking area requirements found in ADC 3.250.
1.2 The subject property is situated within the Hackleman Monteith (HM) zoning district and the Monteith National Historic District.
1.3 According to Linn County Assessor information, the property is 2,500 square feet. The minimum lot size for a single-family detached home in the HM zone is 5,000 square feet.
1.4 The subject property is legally existing but non-conforming to the minimum lot standards found in ADC 3.190 Table 1.
1.5 The property is developed with structures that were constructed circa 1935. The proposal will not add any additional dwelling units.

Conclusions
1.1 The adjustment application is not requested to avoid a land use review or increase density.
1.2 This review criterion is met without conditions.

Criterion 2
The need for the adjustment is created by the unusual configuration of the property, to protect natural features, due to the location of an existing structure on the site, or the site is an infill or redevelopment site less than one acre with development on both sides; AND
Findings of Fact
2.1 The applicant is requesting an adjustment to the single-family residence parking area requirements found in ADC 3.250.

2.2 ADC 9.020 Table 9-1 requires two off street parking spaces for all single-family residential structures.

2.3 ADC 3.250 (2) defines a parking area for a single-family residence as a paved surface at least 10 feet wide and 20 feet long.

2.4 Materials submitted by the applicant (Attachment D) indicate that the existing driveway is 11 feet wide and 39 feet long.

2.5 The subject property is developed with an existing single-family residence on an approximately 2,500 square-foot lot within the Hackleman Monteith zoning district. This zoning district has a minimum lot size of 5,000 square feet for a single-family residence.

2.6 Both the existing residence and detached garage are identified as historic contributing structures within the Monteith National Historic District.

2.7 According to Linn County Assessor data, the existing residence has a building footprint of 792 square feet and the garage has a building footprint of 320 square feet. The existing historic structures occupy 1,112 square feet of the 2,500 square foot lot.

2.8 The orientation of the existing single-family residence and garage limit the ability to change, expand, or re-orient the existing driveway.

Conclusions
2.1 The need for the adjustment is created by the configuration of the property and existing historic structures.

2.2 This criterion is met without conditions.

Criterion 3
The adjustment is the minimum necessary to address the unusual circumstance, generally no more than 10 percent from a numeric standard, and the request is still consistent with the purpose of the zoning district and any applicable overlay districts.

Findings of Fact
3.1 The applicant is requesting a one-foot adjustment to the single-family residence parking area requirements found in ADC 3.250.

3.2 ADC 9.020 Table 9-1 requires two off street parking spaces for all single-family residential structures.

3.3 ADC 3.250 (2) defines a parking area for a single-family residence as a paved surface at least 10 feet wide and 20 feet long.

3.4 Materials submitted by the applicant (Attachment D) indicate that the existing driveway is 11 feet wide and 39 feet long. This means the driveway meets the dimensional standard for width (10 feet) and is one foot from meeting the standard for the two required parking spaces (20 feet each).

3.5 To expand or alter the driveway one of the existing historic structures will need to be altered, moved, or partially demolished.

3.6 A 10 percent reduction to the 20-foot dimensional standard is two feet. The applicant is requesting a reduction of one foot.

3.7 A written narrative submitted by the applicant (Attachment D) indicates that existing driveway currently accommodates the two off-street parking spaces that are required for a single-family residence in ADC 9.020 Table 9-1.

Conclusions
3.1 The existing driveway can accommodate two off street parking spaces.

3.2 The approval is for less than 10 percent of the numeric standard.
3.3 This review criterion is met without conditions.

**Overall Conclusion**
The application requesting historic alterations (ADC Article 7) and a reduction to dimensional standards for a single family residential off-street parking area (ADC 2.080) is approved with conditions.

**Overall Conditions**
*Condition 1* All work shall be completed in accordance with the applicable building code requirements.

**Attachments**
A Location Map  
B Historic Resources Survey  
C Elevation Drawings (Historic review)  
D Applicant Narrative (Adjustment)  
E Site Plan

**Acronyms**
ADC Albany Development Code  
HM Hackleman Monteith (Zoning District)
**Note:** For properties 35 years old and newer, starred (*) sections are the only required fields.

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**Number and Type of Associated Resources:**
1 – historic garage to north

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**Preliminary National Register Findings:**
- **Potentially Eligible:**
  - Individually or X As a contributing resource in a District
  - Intact but lacks distinction
  - Altered (Choose one):
    - Reversible/ potentially eligible
    - Individually or in a district
    - Reversible/ ineligible, lacks distinction
    - Irretrievable lack of integrity

- **Not Eligible:**
  - Not 50 years old

**Description of Physical and or Landscape Features:**
- West facing – mid-block, residential area. 2 houses south of school. Cherry tree.
- Colonial pilasters and entablature at entry. Rakeboard and frieze.

**Statement of Significance:** [Required only for Intensive Level Surveys] (Use additional sheets if necessary)

| **Researcher/ Organization:** | David Pinyerd, Historic Preservation Northwest |
| **Date Recorded:** | 9/27/2002 |
| **Photo Roll #:** | 1 |
| **Frame #(#s):** | 30 |
| **Local Designation #:** | SHPO #: |
| **County:** | Linn |

Survey Form Page 1 of 2
Street Address:
821 Maple

City:
Albany

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David Pinyerd, Historic Preservation Northwest

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The property at 821 Maple was constructed by C.E. and Myrtle Spence in 1935. Cyrus H. Walker owned the property briefly in 1912. He was significant throughout the state of Oregon, organizing Granges throughout the state. He was known in 1913 as the oldest person born west of the Rockies, when he celebrated his 75th birthday on Dec. 7, 1913. He was born at the Whitman Mission (Walla Walla, WA) in December 1838. His father was Reverend Elkanah Walker. Cyrus served as a First Lieutenant in a company of volunteers in the Indian Wars and later served as the Grand Commander of the Indian War Veterans of the North Pacific Coast. In addition to organizing Granges throughout the State, he also served as Chaplain of the State Grange and as State Deputy of the Grange. The property was purchased in 1959 by the Shreves. Mary Shreve was a teacher, and her husband Elmer was a chemist with the Wah Chang Corporation. They owned the property until 1968 when it was purchased by James and Gladys Edwards. James Edwards was a state patrolman who lived with his wife and two children at 821 Maple until 1974.
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**I am not sure how these below fit in with the info I found on 1015 Elm (above). Since the property is so large, these could be for a different parcel. I tried to look up some of these names, but could not find a connection with the above information. I was also running out of time while I was in Albany.**

| Bernice Johnston       | Russell L. & Ruth L. Piper |
|                        | 9/4/1973                  |
| James & Donald Johnston| Russell L. & Ruth L. Piper |
|                        | 2/7/1975                  |
| Russell L. Piper & Ruth L. Piper |             | Vol. 70 page 080 |
| Darrell G. & Arlene S. Carver | 7/9/1975 |
| Darrell G. Arlene Carver | trust deed 23,850 |
| Darrell G. Arlene Carver | 6/20/1975 |
| James & Dona Carver    | James D. & Dona L. Carver |
|                        | 2/7/1980                  |
| James & Dona Carver    | Mortgage                  |
|                        | 4/15/1980                 |
| James & Dona Carver    | H.P. Employees Credit     |
|                        | Union                     |
|                        | 4/10/1991                 |
| James & Dona Carver    | Oregon Title Insurance    |
|                        | Shane & Debra Hargett     |
|                        | 4/15/1991                 |
| James & Dona Carver    | 6/28/1999                 |
| James & Dona Carver    |                         |
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**Attachment B**
Monteith Addition, Block 64 - 821 Maple

From:
Alice P. Richards
Cyrus H. Walker
Margaret MacNeill
C.E. & Myrtle Spence
Sara Ella Morley
Mary & Elmer Shreve &
Evelyn & W.S. Himes
James B & Gladys L. Edwards
Lawrence H. & Mary E. Merchant
Alan R. & Sally S. Gaines
Denice M. Coon & Norman H. Coon
D.T. Ordeman & Denice M. Ordeman
Kelly Michelle Wallace
Brent Alan Wallace?
Freedom Federal Savings & Loan
Leland E. & Beverly A. Fisher &
Pamela J. Zeemin
Suzanne Adell Smith

To:
C.H.Walker
Margaret MacNeill
C.E. & Myrtle M Spence
Sara Ella Morley
Mary Shreve & Evelyn Himes
James B. & Gladys L. Edwards
Lawrence H. & Mary E. Merchant
Alan R. & Sally S. Gaines
Denice M. Coon & Norman H. Coon
(Daughter & Father)
D.T. Ordeman & Denice M. Ordeman
Brent A. & Kellie M. Wallace
Brent Alan Wallace
Freedom Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.
Leland E. & Beverly A. Fisher &
Pamela J. Zeemin
Suzanne Adell Smith
Jennifer R. Foster

Date:    Notes
12/20/1912   Book 56 Pg 292; Rel 371
12/20/1912   Book 55 Pg 449
4/24/1930    Book 135 Pg 332 (1C
1/1/1959     Vol 183 Pg 805
4/30/1959    Book 259 Pg 270
12/12/1968   Book 335 Pg 433
1/7/1974     Vol 77 Pg 81
10/9/1974    Vol 95 Pg 398
1/27/1978    Vol 180 Pg 759
5/26/1982    Vol 311 Pg 828
7/1/1983     Vol 336 Pg 536
5/7/1986     Vol 409 Pg 643
11/3/1986    Vol 425 Pg 302 TD (i
5/4/1987     Vol 440 Pg 311
5/31/1990    Vol 530 Pg 414
3/29/1993    Vol 633 Pg 765
FRAME IN 6' DOUBLE DOOR, KEEP TRIM IN SAME LOCATION
LOWER HEADER, ADD PANEL TO FILL IN SPACE

E1  FRONT ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

E2  RIGHT ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

E3  REAR ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

E4  LEFT ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"
City of Albany
Public Works – Community Development
333 Broadalbin St SW
Albany, OR 97321
June 16, 2020
Adjustment Checklist & Review Criteria
Planning Application form with Authorizing Signatures – Submitted with this Checklist.

Review Criteria Responses
A) Regular Adjustment Application Criteria (Article 2.080)

2. The need for the adjustment is due to the location of an existing structure on the site.

The property is Historic Contributing and we are converting the single car garage into habitable space, which takes away one parking spot. There needs to be 2 available parking spots on the property. We are requesting the adjustment of the driveway length which is just under 40', to be allowed to accommodate 2 parking spots on the property. The length of the driveway cannot be extended and the garage at the end will not be moved based on the existing site.

The request is based on a few inches less than it is required for parking for today’s standards. This is a Historic Contributing house, 2 vehicles will fit in this driveway without affecting the existing site or structure to make this work.

Thank you,

Sarah Maisel
Senior Designer
G. Christianson Construction
644 NW 4th St
Corvallis, OR 97330