

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

to: Historic Preservation Commission
from: Ed Zimmer
re: Agenda items for July 21, 2016
date: July 15, 2016

Item 3: NeighborWorks Lincoln, 219 S. 30th



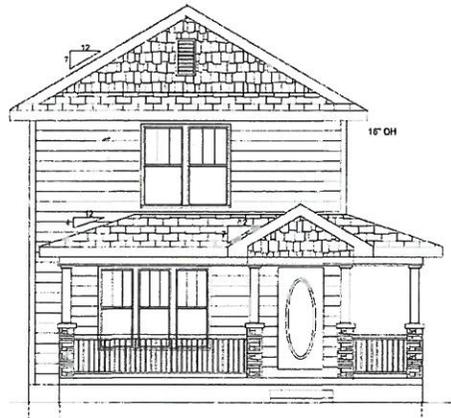
219 S. 30th in 2005

NeighborWorks Lincoln owns this property in the East Lincoln/Elm Park Landmark District. Their assessment is that rehabilitation is financially infeasible--that the floor joists are "spongy" and the foundation would require total replacement. The property sold for \$25,377 in 2014 and was purchased by NeighborWorks this year for \$35,000.

The existing house dates from about 1905 and is an early representative of the American Four-square type, though of 1.5 stories rather than the full 2 to 2.5 stories of prototypical examples. James B. Wilcox, head waiter at the Lincoln Hotel, bought

the property for \$375 in 1905 and occupied it by 1908, before selling it in 1912 for \$3,000. The increased value presumably reflects the house's construction.

NeighborWorks and the Commission dealt with a similar circumstance at 2503 S St. in the Hawley Landmark District in 2014. In that instance NeighborWorks proposed and the Commission accepted as compatible a design for a new single-family residence which has been built and is now occupied by a family.



2503 S Street in Hawley Landmark District

NeighborWorks also replaced a house at 205 S. 29th Street (the southwest corner of 29th & N Streets) in the East Lincoln/Elm Park Landmark District in 2011, with the Commission's approval.



205 S. 29th Street in 2014

NeighborWorks has not yet proposed a design for the S. 30th St. site but hopes to do so by the time of the meeting. Without that design it is premature to make a recommendation on the agency's requests.

Item 4: Sign at the Toolhouse, 800 Q

Nebraska Sign Company has not yet forwarded a design for a sign requested at this location. I believe the new establishment will be on the lower level, below Yowie's at the NE corner of N. 8th & Q.

Item 5: Project at 1143 and 1149 S. 17th

See Stacey Hageman's report (attached)

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