

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD AGENDA**  
**June 1, 2016 – 3:00 P.M.**  
**Pre-Council Chambers, Mobile Government Plaza, 205 Government Street**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Approval of Mid Month COAs Granted by Staff

**B. MID MONTH APPROVALS**

1. **Applicant:** Miloyd Murphy
  - a. Property Address: 8 LeMoyné Place
  - b. Date of Approval: 10 May 2016
  - c. Project: Re-roof with asphalt shingles, charcoal gray. Repair rotten wood as necessary to match original in profile and dimension.
2. **Applicant:** Douglas B. Kearley on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Zieman
  - a. Property Address: 209 S. Cedar Street
  - b. Date of Approval: 12 May 2016
  - c. Project: Construct ancillary building at rear of property per submitted plans in keeping with approved setbacks.
1. **Applicant:** Charles Weems for Robert Holberg
  - a. Property Address: 1653 Government Street
  - b. Date of Approval: 12 May 2016
  - c. Project: Replace roof with asphalt shingles.
2. **Applicant:** Mike Henderson on behalf of William R. Evatt
  - a. Property Address: 1554 Bruister Street
  - b. Date of Approval: 13 May 2016
  - c. Project: Remove and replace ¾" decking with same. Re-roof with GAF timberline architectural roofing in charcoal color. Replace and repaint fascia and overhang boards.
3. **Applicant:** Mary Beth Harris
  - a. Property Address: 1315 Brown Street
  - b. Date of Approval: 13 May 2016
  - c. Project: Replace wood railing on porch to match existing. Extend porch railing around side of house to tie into front porch. Replace concrete steps on front porch with wooden steps and replace metal hand railing. Remove plywood infill to expose and repair original doors. Repair wood siding as needed to match in dimension, profile and size. Repaint exterior of house as follows: trim and railings-white; body- church Street East Gray; Doors- Chatham Street Blue, and decking to be darker than Chatham Street Blue.
4. **Applicant:** Kiel Home Renovation Inc.
  - a. Property Address: 1154 Old Shell Road
  - b. Date of Approval: 16 May 2016
  - c. Project: Repair/reconstruct front gable and roof damage to match original in appearance.
5. **Applicant:** Don Bowden for Evan Maisel
  - a. Property Address: 18 N. Monterey Street
  - b. Date of Approval: 16 May 2016
  - c. Project: Replace deteriorated later fenestration on the rear elevation to match the existing as per profile, dimension, and material. Construct a rear porch (site of an existing deck), construct two pergolas over walkways, and construct a carport (all in the backyard per

submitted plans). Install a five foot metal fence behind existing shrubbery extending the along the North (a side) lot line. Relocate later pavers.

6. **Applicant:** Edward and Julie Flotte
  - a. Property Address: 1209 Government Street
  - b. Date of Approval: 19 May 2016
  - c. Project: Remove a later metal vehicular gate accessing the property from the rear alley. Install new metal gate that will match one on the adjacent property.
7. **Applicant:** Integrity Remodeling
  - a. Property Address: 1707 Conti Street
  - b. Date of Approval: 19 May 2016
  - c. Project: Repair deteriorated woodwork to match the existing as per profile, dimension, and material. Repaint per the existing color.

## **B. APPLICATIONS**

### **2016-17-CA: 208 LeVert Avenue**

- a. Applicant: Douglas B. Kearley on behalf of Mike and Marion Windom
- b. Project: Renovation – Renovate an existing ancillary garage by adding a second-story.

## **D. OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Discussion

**APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**  
**STAFF REPORT**

**2016-18-CA: 208 LeVert Avenue**

**Applicant:** Douglas B. Kearley on behalf of Mike and Marion Windom

**Received:** 5/20/16

**Meeting:** 6/1/16

**INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION**

Historic District: Ashland Place  
Classification: Contributing Main Building with Non-Contributing (work to impacted) Ancillary  
Zoning: R-1  
Project: Renovation – Renovate an existing ancillary garage by adding a second-story.

**BUILDING HISTORY**

This ancillary building is located behind a Mediterranean Revival residence built in 1927. The ancillary building, a garage, is a single story building which postdates the construction of the main residence. Said building is not visible from the public view.

**STANDARD OF REVIEW**

Section 9 of the Preservation Ordinance states “the Board shall not approve any application proposing a Material Change in Appearance unless it finds the change...will not materially impair the architectural or historic value of the building, the buildings on adjacent sites or in the immediate vicinity, or the general visual character of the district...”

**STAFF REPORT**

- A. This property last appeared before the Architectural Review Board in 2001. At that time, the Board approved extensive rear additions. The application up for review calls for the addition of a second story atop an existing ancillary building.
- B. The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Historic Rehabilitation and the Design Review Guidelines for Mobile’s Historic Districts state, in pertinent part:
  - 1. Historic accessory structures should be preserved.
  - 2. Ancillary construction should be compatible with those in the district.
  - 3. Design an accessory structure to be subordinate in scale to that of the primary structure.
    - a. If a proposed accessory structure is larger than the size of typical historic accessory structures in the district, break up the mass of the larger structure into smaller modules that reflect traditional accessory structures.
  - 4. Locate a new accessory structure in line with other visible accessory structures in the district.
    - a. These are traditionally located at the rear of a lot.
  - 5. Materials that are compatible with the historic district in scale and character are acceptable. These often include:
    - a. Wood frame
    - b. Masonry
    - c. Cement-based fiber siding

- C. Scope of Work (per submitted plans and other materials):
1. The footprint of the ancillary structure will remain the same.
  2. Repaint existing and new portions of the building
  3. Remove the existing roof.
  4. Construct a second-story atop the existing CMU first-story.
  5. The second-story will be clad in painted cementitious lap siding (color to TBD).
  6. The addition's two-gable roofs will be covered in dimensional shingles.
  7. An 8" Frieze board will extend below cornice line.
  8. Exposed rafter tails will be employed.
  9. Aluminum-clad wooden windows will be employed.
  10. Board-and-batten operable shutters will be employed.
  11. West Elevation
    - a. An existing door and a six-light window on first-story will remain.
    - b. A portico will be constructed a portico over the existing and aforementioned entrance.
      - i. The gable roof of the porch will be supported by two 8" x 8" wood columns.
      - ii. The columns will be detailed to match those located off the rear of the main house.
      - iii. The flashing for porch will be concealed behind lap siding on second-story.
    - c. Two two-over-two aluminum clad wooden windows will be set equidistantly the new second-story.
    - d. Shutters will flank the aforementioned windows.
    - e. An arched louvered vent taking the form of a fanlight will be centered within the West Elevation's gable roof.
  12. South Elevation
    - a. The first-story of the existing South Elevation will remain the same.
    - b. The westernmost portion of the South Elevation (of the addition) will not feature fenestration.
    - c. The easternmost portion of the South Elevation will feature three equidistantly spaced two-over-two windows with shutters.
  13. East Elevation
    - a. The first-story of the exiting East Elevation will remain the same (minus the presence of electrical boxes).
    - b. One two-over-two window with shutters will be centered on the addition's West Elevation.
  14. North Elevation
    - a. The first-story of the existing North Elevation will remain the same.
    - b. This inner lot-facing second-story addition will not feature fenestration.
    - c. An arched louvered vent taking the form of a fanlight will be centered below the with the South Elevation's gable roof.

## **STAFF ANALYSIS**

This application involves the renovation of a non-contributing ancillary structure. The ancillary building - a structure which is utilized as a garage - is located behind a contributing residence. The ancillary structure in question is at best minimally visible from the public view. The renovation of the building focuses on the construction of a second-story addition. The Design Review Guidelines state that historic accessory structures should be preserved (See B-1). The subject building, a cinder-block construction, represents non-contributing (non-historic) ancillary infill. The Design Review Guidelines go on to state that ancillary construction/renovations should be compatible with those found elsewhere in a given district (See B-2.). Two-story ancillary structures are located throughout the surrounding Ashland Place Historic District. Second-story additions atop existing one-story ancillary buildings have been proposed, approved, and constructed elsewhere in Ashland Place (example being that behind 108 Lanier Avenue). While the principle residence is a one-story building, the building is designed so that the setbacks and massing are not only respectful of the main building, but also responsive to traditional (& nearby) ancillary construction (See B-3.). Additionally, the building is located to be responsive to the varied setbacks of other visible accessory structures in the district and the materials are compatible with the character of property and surrounding ancillary buildings (See B 4-5).

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Based on B (1-5), Staff does not believe this application will impair either the architectural or the historical character of the surrounding district. Staff recommends approval of the application.