NORTH STREET, BROOKEVILLE

PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION

### Preliminary Consultation MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION **STAFF REPORT**

Address:

1 North Street, Brookeville

**Meeting Date:** 

9/25/2013

Resource:

**Oustanding Resource** 

Report Date:

9/18/2013

**Brookeville Historic District** 

**Public Notice:** 

9/11/2013

**Applicant:** 

Katherine Farquhar (Miche Booz, Architect)

Tax Credit:

N/A

Review:

**Preliminary Consultation** 

Staff:

Josh Silver

Case Number:

N/A

PROPOSAL:

Construction of front porch and other alterations

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the applicant return for a Historic Area Work Permit after making revisions to the plans based on the comments and feedback they receive from the HPC and staff.

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE: Outstanding Resource

STYLE:

Vernacular

DATE:

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### **PROPOSAL**

The applicant is proposing to:

- 1. Remove and replace an existing standing seam metal roof with a standing seam metal roof on the historic massing section of the resource
- 2. Remove and replace six non-original, wooden, divided-light, (c1950s, builder grade), casement and fixed windows on the 2<sup>nd</sup> story, left and right elevations of a historic ell section of the house with wooden interior/exterior, simulated-divided light, casement and fixed windows in the same openings. The section of the house where the window replacement is proposed is inset and located behind main block of the resource
- 3. Remove and replace a non-historic (c1950-60s), front door with a new wooden door in the same
- 4. Construct an open style covered porch centered on the front façade over the main entrance. The proposed materials for the porch consist of wood columns, fascia and trim, tongue and groove bead board ceiling and a standing seam metal roof.

### **APPLICABLE GUIDELINES**

When reviewing alterations and new construction within the Brookeville Historic District several documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A), and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards). The pertinent information in these documents is

outlined below.

### Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A

- (a) The commission shall instruct the director to deny a permit if it finds, based on the evidence and information presented to or before the commission that the alteration for which the permit is sought would be inappropriate, inconsistent with or detrimental to the preservation, enhancement or ultimate protection of the historic site or historic resource within an historic district, and to the purposes of this chapter.
- (b) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:
  - (1) The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or
  - (2) The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or
  - (3) The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation and public or private utilization of the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district in a manner compatible with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural value of the historic site or historic district in which an historic resource is located; or
  - (4) The proposal is necessary in order that unsafe conditions or health hazards be remedied; or
  - (5) The proposal is necessary in order that the owner of the subject property not be deprived of reasonable use of the property or suffer undue hardship; or
  - (6) In balancing the interests of the public in preserving the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the use and benefit of the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by granting the permit.
    - (c) It is not the intent of this chapter to limit new construction, alteration or repairs to any 1 period or architectural style.
    - (d) In the case of an application for work on an historic resource located within an historic district, the commission shall be lenient in its judgment of plans for structures of little historical or design significance or for plans involving new construction, unless such plans would seriously impair the historic or architectural value of surrounding historic resources or would impair the character of the historic district. (Ord. No. 9-4, § 1; Ord. No. 11-59.)

### Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation:

- #9 New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- #10 New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

### STAFF DISCUSSION

### Roof and windows replacement

Staff supports the proposed roof and window replacement projects at the subject resource.

The existing roof is deteriorated and has been previously repaired. The proposed metal standing seam replacement roof is in-keeping with the existing roof style and will closely match the standing seam metal roof on other sections of the house.

The windows proposed for replacement are non-original, wooden builder grade (c1950s), windows located in a section of the historic massing that is behind the main block of the house. The proposed replacement windows are wooden interior/exterior, simulated divided light with light configurations that match the current fixed and casement windows as depicted in the attached photos. Staff finds the windows type and materials as being compatible with the resource.

### Front porch

Staff does not support the proposed construction of a front porch. Staff identifies the front façade, with its simple vernacular architectural style as a character-defining feature of this resource. The *Standards* recommend, retaining, and preserving entrances that are important in defining the overall historic character of the building. The addition of a front porch would diminish the perceived scale and architectural style and character of this resource. Staff finds the construction of a front porch entrance would substantially alter the front façade and as being incompatible in character and nature with the simple architectural features of the resource.

### Front door

Staff supports the removal of the existing front door and installation of a compatible new door. The existing door although wooden and in-keeping with the architectural style of the resource is not original. The applicant's architect stated the door likely dates to the c1950-60s. Although staff supports the installation of new door they do not support the replacement door style as proposed. The proposed replacement door is not in-keeping with the simple vernacular style of the house. A sample photo provided by the applicant shows the proposed replacement door style (see page \_\_\_\_\_\_\_). The door style is more likely to be found on a Craftsman style resource. The house depicted in the photo is from a new house within the historic district that is a different architectural style. Staff recommends a door that is in-keeping with vernacular style of the resource for compatibility purposes.

### The HPC must provide the applicant with guidance on the following items:

- 1. Determine if the proposed front porch as proposed
  - a.) substantially alters the historic features of this resource, and
  - b.) if not, is the proposed porch design compatible with the architectural character of the resource and historic district
- 2. Determine if the proposed Craftsman style front door style is consistent with the vernacular architectural style of the resource. If not, recommend a compatible alternative door style.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the applicant make revisions to the plans based on comments and feedback from the HPC and staff and return for a Historic Area Work Permit.



Eds 4/21/99

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 301/563-3400

\* Application for Preliminary Hearing

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## HAWP APPLICATION: MAILING ADDRESSES FOR NOTIFING [Owner, Owner's Agent, Adjacent and Confronting Property Owners]

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### Silver, Joshua

From:

Miche Booz <mbooz@michebooz.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 19, 2013 12:45 PM

To:

Silver, Joshua

Subject:

Farquhar House #1 North Street

Josh,

Here are some existing photos and a couple of renderings showing the proposed front porch. Additional pix through YouSendit. Those pictures show the deteriorated roof, more recent standing seam roof and the six casements Katherine Farquhar would like to replace (two groups of three)--they are 1950s era builder grade wood windows--wants to replace with clad SDL casements to match.

My architectural and aesthetic senses tell me this house needs a front porch. Frankly would be surprised if it didn't -- however no photos or evidence of one.

The rear addition I did not do--large and slightly dwarfs the original.

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