

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER: 9

DATE: February 18, 2003

FROM: Karen McWilliams

SUBJECT:

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 018, 2003, Designating the Wiggins House and Garage, 1009 West Mountain Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado, as a Fort Collins Landmark Pursuant to Chapter 14 of the City Code.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Landmark Preservation Commission and staff recommend adoption of the Ordinance on Second Reading.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The owner of the property, Patricia Taylor, initiated this request for Fort Collins Landmark designation for the Wiggins House and Garage. The property qualifies for designation under Fort Collins Landmark Standard 14-5 (C), Architectural Significance. The property also qualifies for designation on the National and State Registers of Historic Places. This Ordinance was unanimously adopted 6-0 (Councilmember Kastein was absent) on First Reading on February 4, 2003.

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FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER: 14

DATE: February 4, 2003

FROM: Karen McWilliams

SUBJECT:

First Reading of Ordinance No. 018, 2003, Designating the Wiggins House and Garage, 1009 West Mountain Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado, as a Fort Collins Landmark Pursuant to Chapter 14 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins.

RECOMMENDATION:

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The Landmark Preservation Commission and staff recommend adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading. At a public hearing held on January 8, 2003, the Landmark Preservation Commission voted unanimously to recommend designation of this property as a landmark for its architectural importance to Fort Collins.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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The owner of the property, Patricia Taylor, is initiating this request for Fort Collins Landmark designation for the Wiggins House and Garage. The property qualifies for designation under Fort Collins Landmark Standard 14-5 (C), Architectural Significance. The property also qualifies for designation on the National and State Registers of Historic Places. The residence exemplifies the Craftsman architectural style, with excellent integrity. The detached historic garage, which dates from the period of significance, has good integrity and contributes to the historic and architectural character of the property.

HISTORY

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The Wiggins House is a well preserved and detailed specimen of Craftsman residential architecture, with numerous distinctive features, including battered porch piers, a pergola, and roughcast pebbled "Kelly Stone" wall finish. Larimer County Tax Assessor's Records indicate that the residence was constructed in 1921. The home features intersecting front gables, with exposed rafters and purlins, and wide overhanging eaves. Massive, battered porch piers support a pergola on the east side of the façade, as well as a screened front porch with solid half walls. Windows are predominately four-over-one lights, grouped in pairs and bands of three and four. On the west elevation is an exterior chimney of buff-colored brick, flanked by vertical-pane four-light windows. The house's extent of architectural details and high level of integrity set it apart from most other Craftsman residential dwellings in Fort Collins. The front gabled, wood frame detached garage dates from the period of significance and has good integrity. It is a significant contributing element to the historical and architectural importance of the property.