

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER: 10

DATE: February 18, 2003

FROM: Karen McWilliams

SUBJECT:

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 019, 2003, Designating the Temple House, 817 Peterson Street, 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 owners of the property, Robert Liebler and Linda Hamilton, initiated this request for Fort Collins Landmark designation for the Temple House. The property qualifies for designation under Fort Collins Landmark Standard 14-5 (C), Architectural Significance. The property is currently designated on the National and State Registers of Historic Places, as an element of the Laurel School National Register District. The residence is a distinctive and locally unusual example of the Colonial Revival style of architecture, with good integrity. 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: 15

DATE: February 4, 2003

FROM: Karen McWilliams

SUBJECT:

First Reading of Ordinance No. 019, 2003, Designating the Temple House, 817 Peterson Street, 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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HISTORY

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The Temple House is a locally rare and unusual example of the Colonial Revival architectural style in Fort Collins. This beautiful 2 story home, built c. 1918, embodies many distinctive stylistic features. Of note is the locally rare gambrel roof, with widely overhanging eaves and rakes, and exposed rafters. The home features a symmetrical façade with a central entry set in a massive surround with arched lintel. The entry is flanked by triple sets of 6-light windows. On the façade, the gambrel roof is pierced by twin dormers, each with tandem 4-light windows. The windows are described as inward swinging float glass windows, with functional shutters. An unusual feature is the historic wooden pergola extending off the south side of the house over the driveway. The historic cladding material is wide profile lapped siding, with corner boards. A single story shed roof addition, dating to 1954, runs the full length of the rear elevation, but is subordinate to the historic home and is not readily visible from the street. In circa 1980, a passive solar water heater was affixed to the south elevation near the peak of the roof.