

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER: 12

DATE: February 18, 2003

FROM: Karen McWilliams

SUBJECT:

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 021, 2003, Designating the Montgomery House and Garage, 505 Smith 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, Hilary, Barbara and Calvin Douglass, initiated this request for Fort Collins Landmark designation for the Montgomery 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 Pyramidal Hipped Cottage style of architecture, with good 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. 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: 17

DATE: February 4, 2003

FROM: Karen McWilliams

SUBJECT:

First Reading of Ordinance No. 021, 2003, Designating the Montgomery House and Garage, 505 Smith 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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Constructed c. 1905, the home at 505 Smith Street is a simple Pyramidal Hipped Cottage, a variant of Late 19th – Early 20th Century Vernacular Architecture. This style is defined by the home's distinctive square plan main mass, with a roof comprised of four equally sized triangles meeting in a point at the apex. The home's character defining features include a projecting open front porch running nearly the full length of the facade with half-hipped porch roof. The porch is supported by historic turned spindle posts; the porch's balustrade railing and its decking are new. The house has been sided with new "compact-board" drop siding, which closely mimics the appearance of the siding which the home was originally clad with. The detached, gable roof, single car garage features wood drop siding and double hinged doors.