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PROJECT:

Barker Residence - K2513

434 Chataugua Ave.

Norman, OK

HOMEOWNERS:

Kash and Nina Barker

Dear City Clerk:

Norman homeowners, Kash and Nina Barker, would like to file an appeal to a recent Certificate of Appropriateness denial made by the City of Norman's Historic Preservation Commission (see attached Letter of Denial). As their architect, Krittenbrink Architecture has worked with the homeowners to develop what we feel to be historically appropriate and necessary modifications to the house at 434 Chataugua (see attached Project Description).

While we understand the guidelines set forth by the Commission, we feel that the proposed modifications are vital to the long term preservation of the home including its wood shake shingles that have sustained years of water damage due to poor drainage conditions only to name one of many similar problems. The existing home, although old, has features not inherent to architectural design of the time, nor the craftsmanship required to maintain a life cycle that the Commission is said to protect.

We would like to make our case to the City Council in hopes we may move forward with the proposed work, and furthermore, the overall enrichment of the neighborhood.

Hollie Hunt, Project Manager Krittenbrink Architecture, LLC.

cc: Kash and Nina Barker

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Historic Preservation Review

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PROJECT NO:

K2513

CLIENT NAME:

Kash & Nina Barker

PROJECT NAME:

Barker Residence

434 Chataugua Ave.

DESIGN PLAN DATE: 1/23/14

For the project referenced above, Krittenbrink Architecture, LLC., agent to homeowner(s) Kash and Nina Barker, proposes changes to the front of the house to preserve the historical integrity while modifying spaces for practical, modern living. Proposed changes include:

- Remove roof peaks believed to be unoriginal [images 05 & 018]. The roof structure runs
 continuous behind these dormers peaks leading us to believe they have been added on. The
 roof peaks also create drainage issues by breaking the continuous roof line and shedding water
 onto the mansard wood shingles. We propose restoring the original continuous roof line
 allowing for a continuous gutter.
- Continue mansard roof in a single plane the length of the house [A301]. The recessed structure at the windows creates more drainage issues [images 11 & 7]. These issues have led to critter housing and wood shingle deterioration. We propose continuing the mansard in a single plane along the front of the house. This will create a seamless plane for water proofing and water shedding while maintaining the original architectural form.
- Remove screens and screen doors to restore original porch [images 15 & 22]. Maintain structure and roof lines [A301]. We see the existing porch as a barrier between the house and the streetscape. We propose embracing the surrounding neighborhood much in keeping with the original function of the porch built in the 20s. In addition to removing the screens and frames, we will remove the partial walls and replace with period appropriate railing to further embrace the streetscape. Also, we will create tapered cedar columns intrinsic to the Prairie Craftsman style of the house.

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