

Resident Statement

We have lived in our home since we restored it in 2006. When we purchased the house it had been vacant for over a year and in an unlivable condition. Pipes had frozen and burst, causing severe water damage to the entire interior. Following an Architectural Review Board review we renovated the exterior by enclosing a porch and adding new windows on much of the house. We replaced almost all the plumbing, wiring, added new heating and cooling systems and electric service. We renovated the entire interior which included vaulting the family room, renovating the kitchen and 2 baths and adding new flooring and paint.

Over the years we have also restored most of the exterior stone work, which we believe is the most distinctive feature of the house and lot. We rebuilt a circular stone garden wall, repaired the main stone steps to the rear entrance, repaired and sealed the masonry of the chimney and we continually repair the historic stone walls surrounding the property. We intend to restore and highlight in our addition design the curved stone staircase leading from the driveway to the front yard, and utilize an original outdoor stone fireplace as a patio landscape focus.

We have tried to be good stewards of this 1949 home. The Historic and Cultural Assessment describes this home's style as "none". It does indicate that the property is "contributing" which we believe is founded in the location, setting, materials and workmanship of the stone walls and stone elements that are iconic and characteristic of Dublin's historic district.

This new addition will accommodate a master bedroom and bath on the main level and a flexible, lower level family room space and bathroom. We also have need for garage space as the present garage height only accommodates one small car and we intend to convert it to living space. Our house, at present has 3 small bedrooms and a small study. We have a blended family with 5 children and we sorely need extra bedroom and living space. Along with our architect we have studied the Historic District Design Guidelines suggested for new additions and believe we have followed the recommendations and the intent, as well as being sensitive in maintaining the original design elements of the house.

We are excited to give our home much needed space and enhancement, and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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