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| <b>CASE#</b><br><b>2011-COA-308(IRV)</b>   | <b>INDIANAPOLIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION</b><br><b>COMMISSION</b><br><b>STAFF REPORT</b> | Hearing Date<br><b>SEPT. 7, 2011</b>                                       |
|  |   | NEW CASE<br><br>Warren Township<br>Council District: 21<br>Benjamin Hunter |
| <b>5703 UNIVERSITY AVENUE</b><br><b>IRVINGTON</b>  |   |  |
| <b>Applicant</b> <b>BLYTHE KINSEY &amp; JIM ARNOLDT</b><br>mailing address: 5703 UNIVERSITY AVENUE<br>Indianapolis, IN 46219 |   |  |
| <b>Owner: SAME AS ABOVE</b>  |   |  |
| <b>EXPEDITED CASE</b>  |   |  |
| <b>IHPC COA: 2011-COA-308 (IRV)</b> Enclose rear porch   |   |  |
| <b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval</b>  |   |  |

**STAFF COMMENTS**

**Background of the Property**

5703 University Avenue is a large brick and frame residence, built ca. 1910. The first story is brick, while the second story is clapboard siding that flares from the first floor. The roof is hipped with multiple dormers with hipped and gable roofs. There are four porches on the home, two main entry porches and two rear porches. The home is a double.

**The Applicants' Proposal**

The submitted application is a request to enclose the rear southeast porch for use as a kitchen pantry.

**Design of the Rear Enclosure**

The applicants intend to enclose the porch using clapboard to match the reveal on the second story. They will utilize the existing historic half light door which will be relocated to the rear (south) façade. The door is 89 ¾ in. x 31 ¾ in. There will be a trim board to transition from brick to wood, and a new trim board will be installed right above the foundation. The enclosure will have very limited visibility from University Ave.

Drawings. Although the submitted drawings would not be sufficient for an actual addition to the house, in this case staff believes they are adequate to convey an understanding of the request. Since only two simple walls will be built, more detailed drawings are not necessary. There is a stipulation to approve final drawings and meet with the person building the walls before construction begins.

**Irvington Preservation Plan**

- *Additions should be located at the rear, away from the front façade.*  
The addition meets these conditions.
- *The scale, height, size, and mass of an addition should relate to the existing building and not overpower it. The mass and form of the original building should be discernable, even after an addition has been constructed.*  
This addition takes these factors into consideration. It is a very small enclosure located on the rear of the house, and does not extend beyond the walls of the main building.
- *Additions and accessory buildings should be discernable as a product of their own time.*  
The trim differentiates the addition from the historic fabric. As well, the use of wood ties it into the home, but separates it from the surrounding first story brick.

## STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION

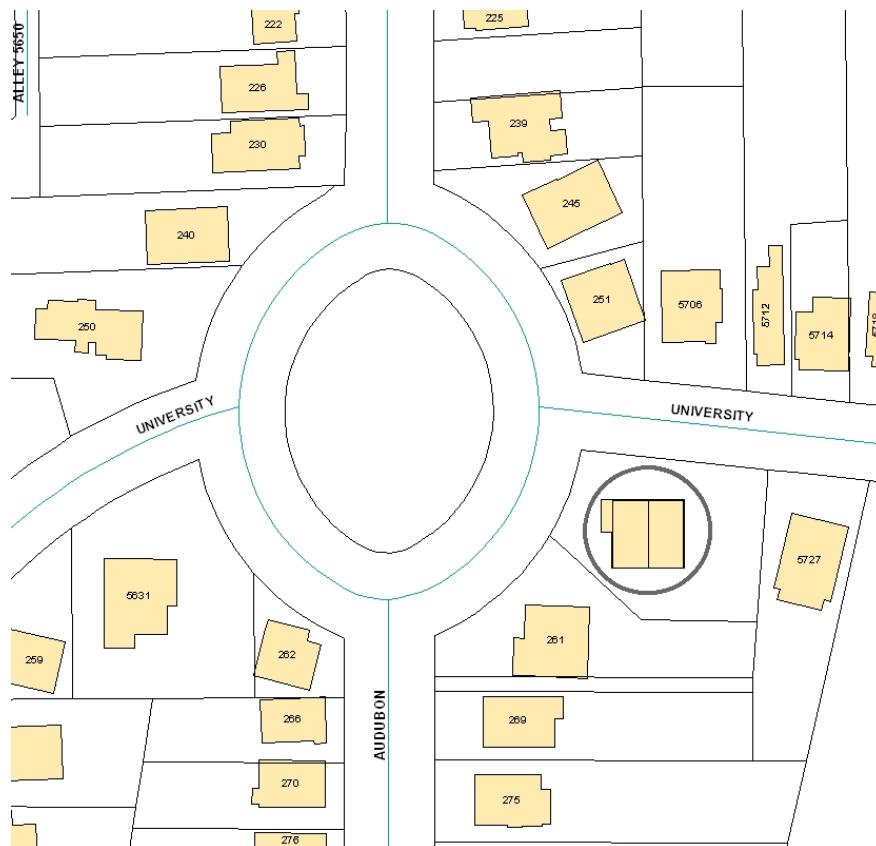
COA #2011-COA-308 (IRV):

To approve a Certificate of Appropriateness to enclose the southeast corner rear porch per the submitted documentation and subject to the following stipulations:

- 1) Final construction drawings shall be approved by staff prior to commencement of work.  
*Approved:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) A pre-construction meeting with IHPC staff, the owner, and the contractor must be held prior to commencement of construction. *Approved:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Siding shall be wood clapboard, and shall match the reveal on the second story lap siding.
- 4) Siding and trim materials shall be wood and shall have a smooth texture free of major imperfections. **Rough-sawn finishes are not permitted.**
- 5) All exposed wood shall be pre-finished or painted.
- 6) The existing porch door shall be relocated and reused on the south wall of the enclosure.
- 7) Any changes to the approved scope or design shall be approved by IHPC staff prior to starting work.

**NOTE:** Stipulation 1 must be completed prior to the issuance of any building permits.

**Staff Reviewer:** Emily Jarzen



**Map of subject property**



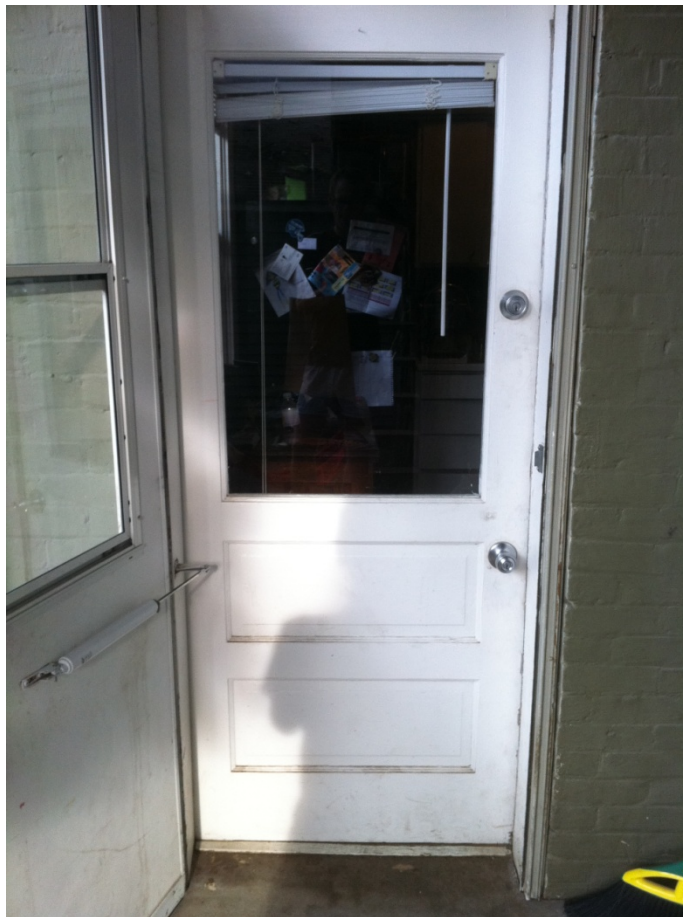
**Aerial view of property looking north towards rear (south) façade, with project area indicated by arrow**



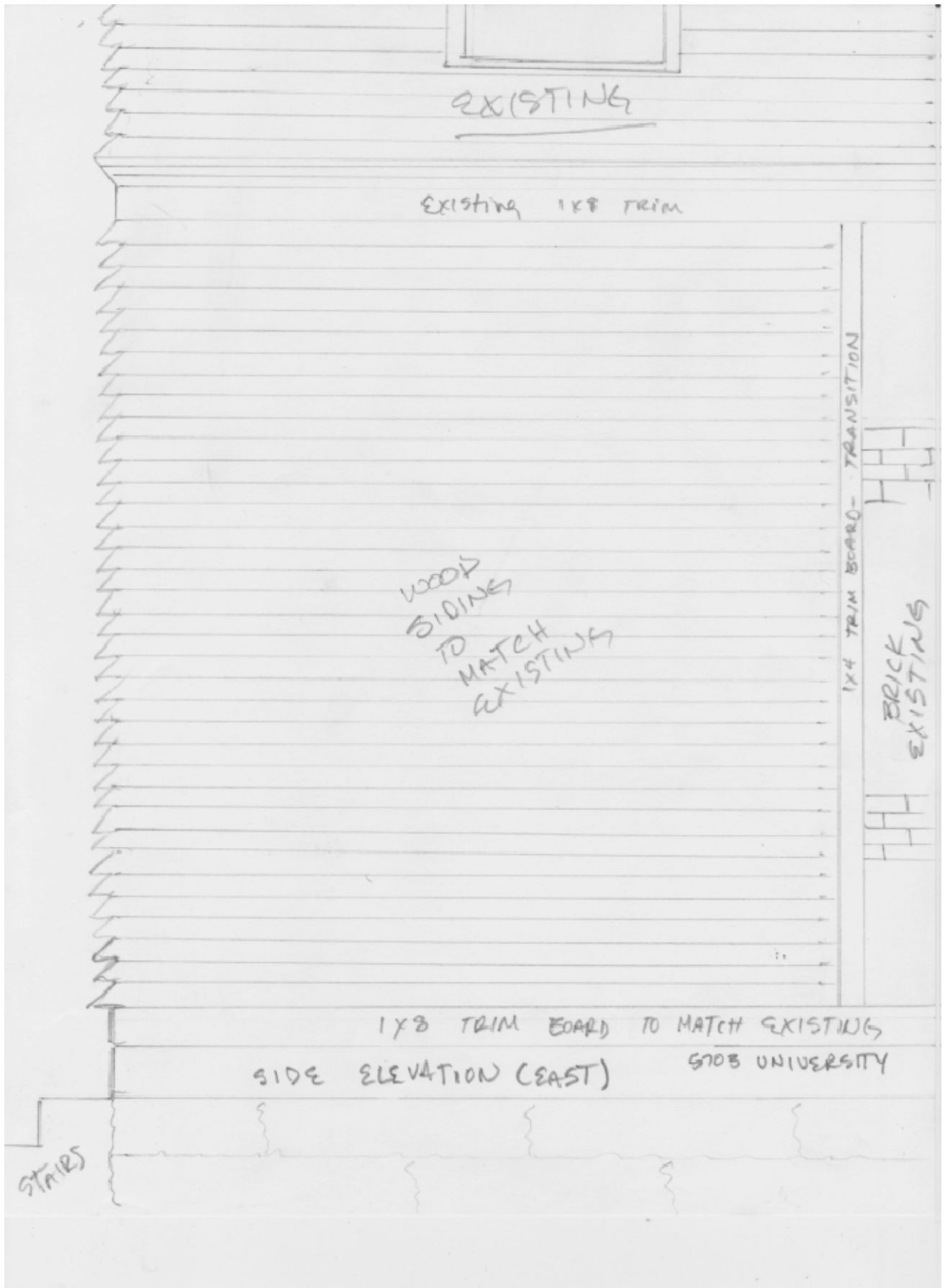
**View of property from University & Audubon – looking southeast**



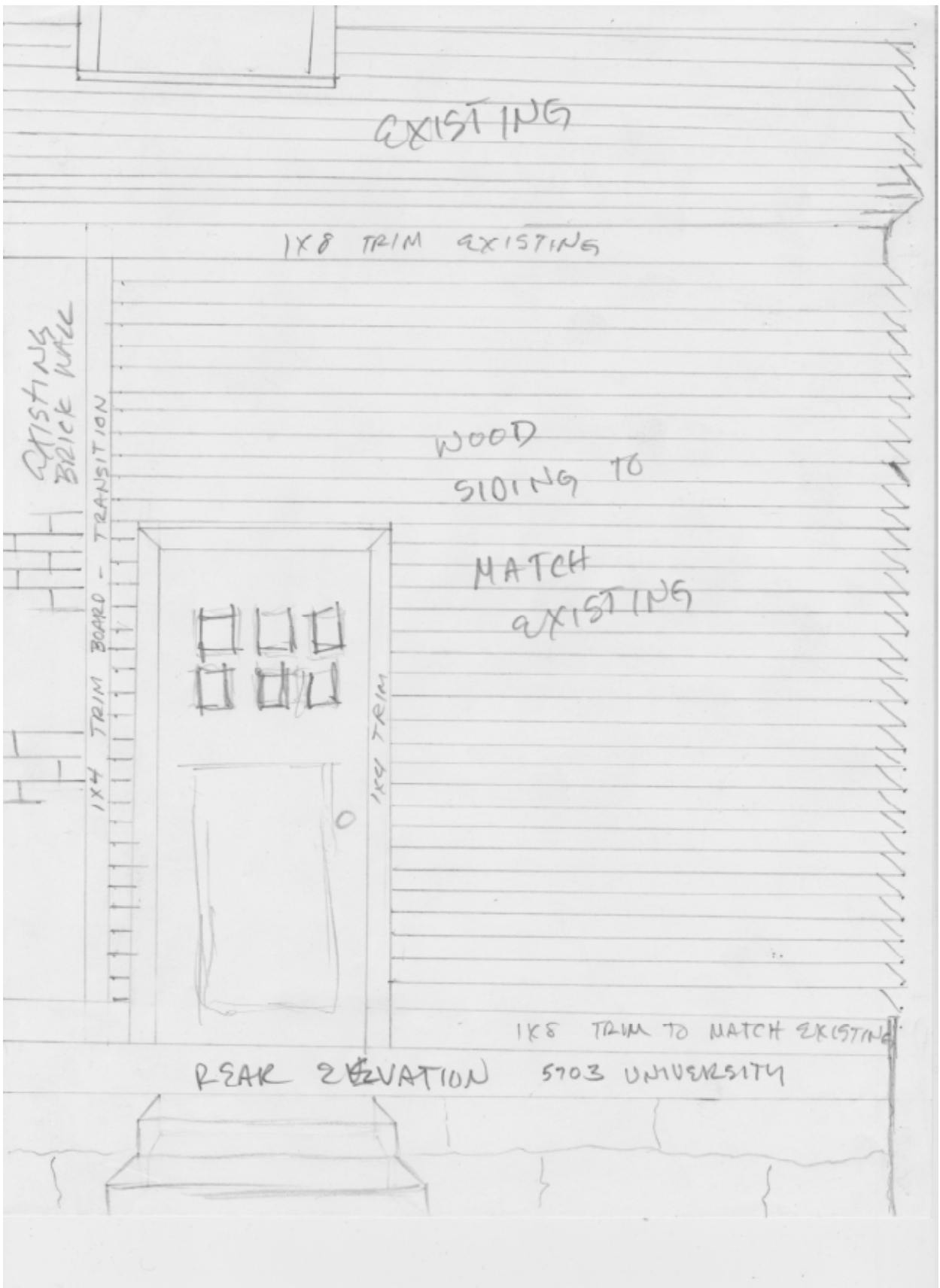
**View of rear (south) façade with project area indicated**



**Existing door to be re-used**



Proposed plans – east façade



Proposed plans - rear (south) façade