City of Sumter Design Review Board

June 26, 2025

HP 25-13 424 W. Hampton Ave (City)

I. THE REQUEST

Applicant: Michael Parnell

Authorized Agent for Property Owner Status of the Applicant:

Request: Request for Design Review Approval to construct a new

6 ft. vinyl fence in the lot's side yard.

District: Hampton Park Historic District

Location: 424 W. Hampton Ave.

Present Use/Zoning: Single Family Residential / R-6

Tax Map Reference: 228-11-03-039

Adjacent Property Land

North – Single-Family Residence / (R-9 and R-6)

Use and Zoning:

South – Single-Family Residence and Commercial/ (R-9

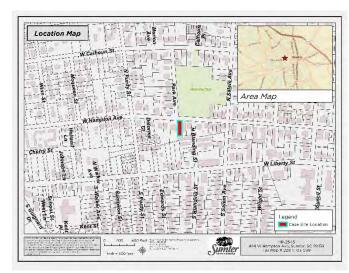
and GC)

East – Single-Family Residence / R-6 West – Single-Family Residence / R-6

II. **BACKGROUND**

applicant is requesting Design Review Board approval to construct a 6 ft. tall white vinyl fence to extend from the house and connect with the existing 6 ft. vinyl fence along the side property line. The additional fence will be +/- 12 ft. in length.

The property currently contains a +/-2,463 sq. ft. single-family residential dwelling on a +/- 0.25-acre lot. The property location is highlighted in red on the map to the right.



ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORIC CONTEXT:

The property features a two-story house with aluminum siding and a half-wraparound porch along the left side of the home. The Sumter County Tax Assessor Records lists the house as having been built circa 1900.

The existing dwelling is a contributing structure to the fabric of the Hampton Park Historic District based both on age and architectural details. Any proposed exterior changes must be reviewed and approved by the Design Review Board.



There have been no prior Design Review Board approvals for this property.

PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORK:

The proposed project includes:

1. Construct +/- 12 linear feet of 6 ft. vinyl fence in the property's side yard.

Diagrams and images for the proposed scope of work are noted below.



Figure 1 - Illustrative Sample of vinyl style fence (supplied by applicant)



Figure 2 - Location of Proposed Fence



Figure 3: Photo of Proposed Fence Location

DESIGN REVIEW:

Design review approval is required prior to the proposed work. The $Design\ Review\ Guidelines$ states:

5.2 Fences and Walls

- B. Choose new fencing that enhances the architecture of the building.
 - > Select a fence design that relates to the style and character of the building.
 - > Use traditional materials to build new fences or use appropriate contemporary materials with a traditional appearance.
 - > Limit front yard fencing to open designs, such as painted wood picket or simple wrought iron fencing that will not obscure views of the building from the street.
 - Avoid incompatible fencing along prominent, visible property lines.
 - > Do not exceed fence heights of 4 feet on the front property line and six feet on side and rear yards

Staff Analysis:

The applicant is proposing to construct a 6-ft. tall white vinyl fence as an extension of an existing white vinyl fence.

The new fence is complimentary to the style and character of the house and is proposed to be placed in an appropriate location.

III. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff is **supportive** of this request.

The proposed fence design (size, style, and location) is consistent with the Design Approval Guidelines.

IV. DRAFT MOTION

- 1) I move the City of Sumter Design Review Board *approve* HP-25-13 in accordance with the materials and construction details submitted.
- 2) I move the City of Sumter Design Review Board <u>deny</u> HP-25-13.
- 3) I move the City of Sumter Design Review Board enter an alternative motion.

V. HISTORIC PRESERVATION – June 26, 2025

