



## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA

A public hearing will be held by the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Dothan, Alabama, on **Thursday, March 12, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.**, in the City Commission Chambers, 126 North St. Andrews Street, Room 203, of the Roy L. Driggers Municipal Building (Civic Center).

The Historic Preservation Committee has a preliminary meeting to review the agenda with the Planning Staff on **Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.**, in the **Planning Conference Room, third floor of the Civic Center Room 320**. This meeting is also open to the public.

The following items will be reviewed at the meeting:

1. **Roll Call:** Chair, Wes Grant\_\_\_\_ Vice-Chair, Michael Riddle\_\_\_\_ Bart Liddon\_\_\_\_ Seaborn Wood, IV\_\_\_\_ Pete McInish\_\_\_\_ Bay Chapman\_\_\_\_ Frederick Thomas\_\_\_\_ Michael Jackson\_\_\_\_ and Peter Milner\_\_\_\_
2. **Approval of Agenda**
3. **Approval of February 13, 2025, Meeting Minutes**
4. **Disclosure of ex parte contact**

### Old Business

### New Business

5. **HPC-2026-0004: Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish three single-family residences located at 405 South Orange Avenue, 1108 Woodlawn Drive, & 1110 Woodlawn Drive and construct a new single-family residence to face South Orange Avenue - Houston Heights - R-1: Residential Single – Family, Low Density – Marius & Stella Heersink represented by Andy Smith, Andy Smith Architecture.**
6. **Discussion**
7. **Adjourn**

Anyone interested in any item listed on this agenda is encouraged to contact the Planning and Development Office at 615-4410 for further information.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 12, 2026  
DOTHAN, ALABAMA**

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) held a meeting on **Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.**, in the Board Room, 126 North St. Andrews Street, on the second floor of the Roy L. Driggers Municipal Building (Civic Center).

Chair Grant brought the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

- 1. Members present:** Chair, Wes Grant, Seaborn Wood IV, Pete McInish, Bay Chapman, Frederick Thomas, Michael Jackson, and Peter Milner.  
**Members absent:** Bart Liddon and Michael Riddle.  
**Others Present:** Yvette Thomas, Principal Planner; Connie Quinto, Sr. Planner; Planning Assistant, Melissa Herring, and Shanika Gilbert, Secretary.
- 2. Approval of Agenda**  
*Mr. McInish made a motion to approve the agenda, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the motion carried.*
- 3. Approval of November 13, 2025, Meeting Minutes**  
*Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Wood seconded, and the motion carried.*
- 4. Disclosure of ex parte contact – None.**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

- 5. HPC-2026-0001: Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for proposed work to include 1) 6-foot wooden fence 2) exterior renovation to existing accessory structure 3) install new greenhouse – Property located at 1108 Magnolia Avenue – Houston Heights- R-1: Residential Single – Family, Low Density – Dan F. Clower Jr.** Dan Clower, 1108 Magnolia Avenue, addressed the commission. Tim Vaught, 1961 Experiment Farm Road, Monroeville, Alabama, addressed the commission. Mr. Vaught stated that Mr. Clower moved into the home a year ago and expressed interest in installing a 6ft wooden fence, adding an accessory structure, and installing a greenhouse. Mr. Vaught stated that the purpose of the fence is to keep the dog in the back yard. Mr. Vaught stated that staff had some concerns about the setbacks for the fence. Mr. Vaught stated that the fence would be 3 feet back from the 30 ft setback. Mr. Vaught stated that leaves 18 ft from the curb which equals the length of a car. Mr. Vaught stated that the accessory structure is made of wood and cinder blocks. Mr. Vaught stated that the greenhouse would be used for Mr. Clower to plant tropical plants. Chair Grant stated that the home sits on the corner of two streets with an alley in the back. Mr. Vaught affirmed. Mr. Wood asked if the greenhouse would be inside

the private fence. Mr. Vaught affirmed. Mr. Clower stated that he wants to add some landscaping along the fence line. Chair Grant asked if the commission or staff had any questions or comments. With no questions or comments, Chair Grant asked for a motion.

***Mr. Wood made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-2026-0001, Ms. Chapman seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.***

6. **HPC-2026-0003: Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to install a new storefront wall sign – Property located at 140 N. Foster Street – Downtown Historic District – DT, Downtown – Alexis Thompson.** Alexis Thompson, 1501 Buena Vista Drive, addressed the commission. Ms. Thompson stated that she recently moved into the old Naomi and Olive Building to open a new business, Circle City Mahj. Ms. Thompson stated that she wants to have a new sign installed. Ms. Thompson stated that the sign would be centered above the existing canopy. Ms. Thompson stated that the letters are not individual letters, but are attached to a backer board. Chair Grant asked if the sign would have lightening. Ms. Thompson stated that the sign will not have lights. Ms. Chapman asked what the letters would be mounted on. Ms. Thompson stated the signs will be on an architectural sign board with a PVC-like backer material the same color as the building. Ms. Chapman asked Ms. Thompson what color the background of the wall is. Ms. Thompson stated off white and the letters would be black. Chair Grant asked if the commission or staff had any questions or comments. With no questions or comments, Chair Grant asked for a motion. ***Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-2026-0003, Mr. Milner seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.***
7. **Board of Elections – Officers nominated and voted in for 2026:** Ms. Chapman nominated Wes Grant for Chair. ***Ms. Chapman made a motion to approve the nomination for Chair Officer, Mr. Wood seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*** Mr. McInish nominated Michael Riddle for Vice-Chair. ***Mr. McInish made a motion to approve the nomination for Vice-Chair Officer, Ms. Chapman seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*** Ms. Chapman nominated Shanika Gilbert for Secretary. ***Ms. Chapman made a motion to approve the nomination for Secretary Officer, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.***
8. **Discussion – None.**
9. **Adjourn**  
***Mr. McInish made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.***

The meeting adjourned at 4:13 pm. The next meeting will be on March 12, 2026.

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***Wes Grant, Chair***

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***Shanika Gilbert, Secretary***



# HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING DATE – March 12, 2026

CASE NUMBER: HPC-2026-0004

Case Manager: Connie Quinto, Sr. Planner

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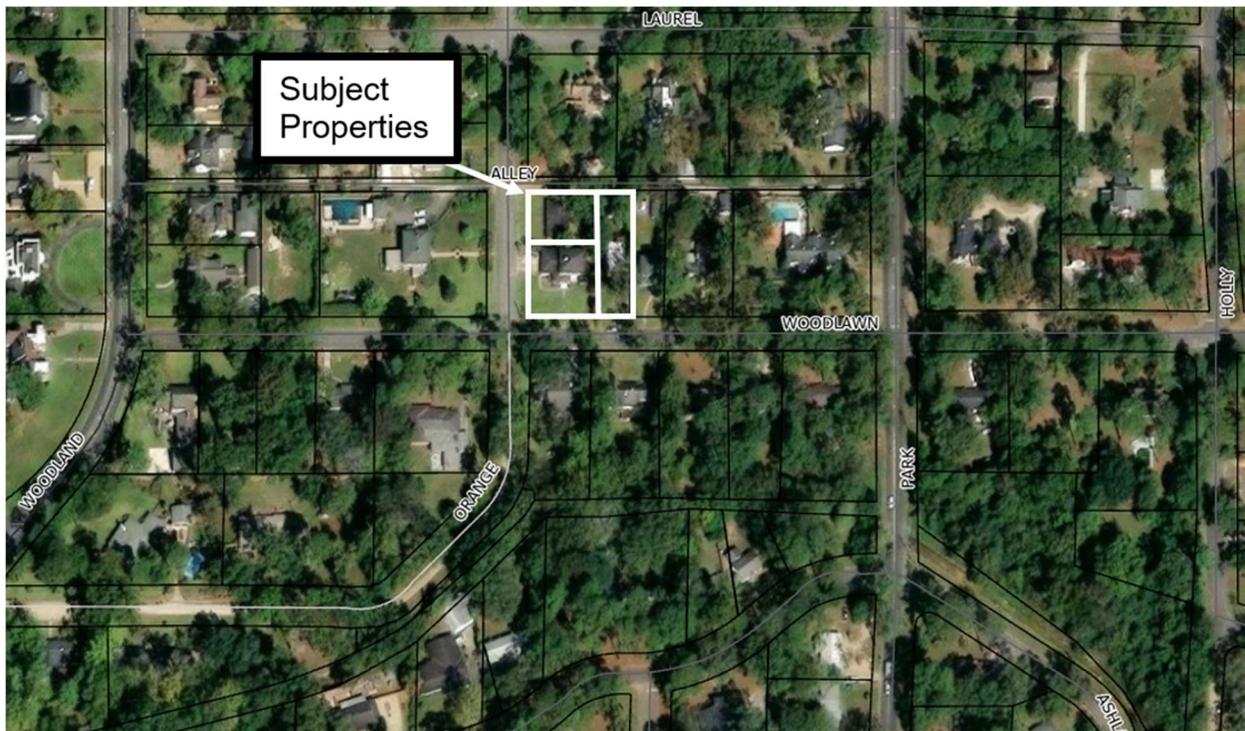
## Summary of Information:

Project Name:	Demolition & New Construction Home
Property Address:	405 Orange Avenue, 1108 & 1110 Woodlawn Drive
Requested Action:	Certificate of Appropriateness – Demolition & New construction
Applicant/Owner:	Andy Smith, Andy Smith Architecture (applicant)/ Marius & Stella Heersink

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## General Discussion:

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish the homes at 405 Orange Avenue, 1108 & 1110 Woodlawn Drive. Additionally, the applicant requests a COA to construct a new home on the three lots facing South Orange Avenue. The subject property is located within the jurisdiction of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Houston Heights Residential District.



## STAFF ANALYSIS:

- The properties are located within the Houston Heights Residential District Historic District.
- Based on the style of homes within the area, development occurred primarily in the late 1920s and early 1930s and continued into the 1950s.
- The house located at 405 S. Orange Avenue is a noncontributing structure and falls outside of the period of significance for the historic district. The house located at 1108 and 1110 Woodlawn Drive are contributing structures.
- The house located at 1108 Woodlawn Drive, while built in the latter part of the neighborhood's development, appears to have retained its original features with few modifications.
- The house located at 1110 Woodlawn Drive has had some modifications over the years – building additions, vinyl siding, etc. However, the changes have not negatively impacted the historic integrity of the house.

## DEMOLITION REQUEST

- No structural or public safety reason for demolition of the three homes was provided in the application packet.
- Because the structures are located in the Houston Heights Residential District historic district, the HPC has purview over requests for demolitions.
- Based on the Houston Heights Historic District inventory compiled in 2001:
  - *405 S Orange Avenue (1962): This modern Ranch style home has a recessed front entry. The front porch steps have wrought iron railings. The windows have panes and decorative louvered shutters. The house has a low hipped roof.*



- *1108 Woodlawn Drive (1955): The gabled roof of the portico, and its solid looking square brick columns enhance the façade of this otherwise plain brick Four Square style home. It has a paneled door. The placement of the windows balances the height of this two-story home. The paired, multi-pane, sash windows have six over six lights, and brick sills and lintels. The roof of the house is a very low-pitched hip gable.*



- *1110 Woodlawn Drive (1939): This Craftsman style, two-story home has flush siding. The windows have four lights over one, wide casings, and cornice boards. The enclosed front entry has a flush door with full length windows on either side. The extended porch roof is supported by tapered (battered) square columns on square piers. The front steps are flanked by low rectangular side walls with caps on them. There is a side portico facing on S. Orange Avenue which also has tapered square columns on piers. The hip roof is low pitched. There is a small one-story side wing with another entrance on the right side.*



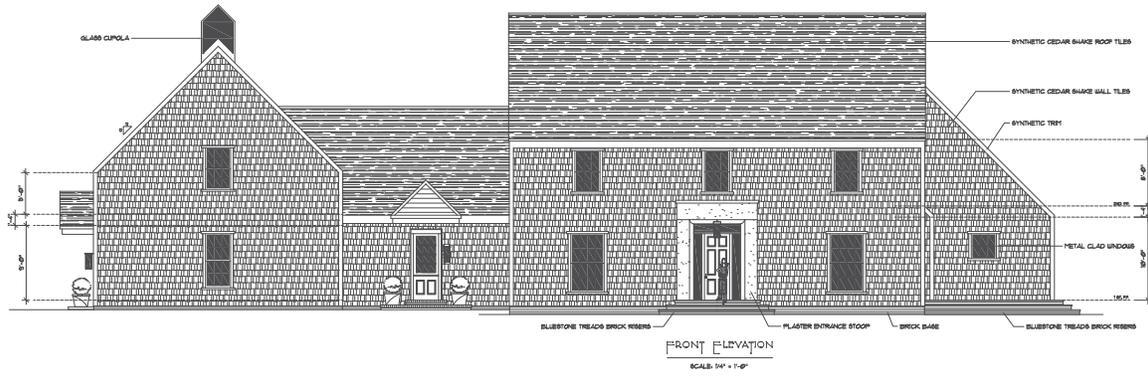
**NEW CONSTRUCTION RESIDENCE:**

- The proposed home is two stories, totaling 7,978 square feet under roof with a 2 car garage.
  - Several surrounding homes exceed 3,500 square feet, are two stories, and have attached garages, but no homes exceed 6,500 square feet.
- The proposed single-family home meets the setback requirements and allowed maximum lot area coverage for the R-1 Zoning District.
- The applicant is proposing a composite driftwood shingle roof in aged cedar.
- The applicant is proposing composite shingles in lake forest for the exterior façade.
- The proposed trim is “Aztec” white color.
- The applicant is proposing a navy blue painted door with a small covered stoop.
- The proposed materials fall in line with the Residential Design Guidelines for the City of Dothan.
  - Although brick and horizontal wood siding are most common exterior choices in the neighborhood, the composite “wood-like” shingles are not outside the guidelines. Shingles are not considered “inappropriate”.
- The applicant is proposing a two-car garage that is side loading and not visible from the roadway which is common to the Houston Heights Historic District. It will be accessed via the alleyway.
- The proposed plans also show landscaping for the perimeter of the site. Species were not listed.

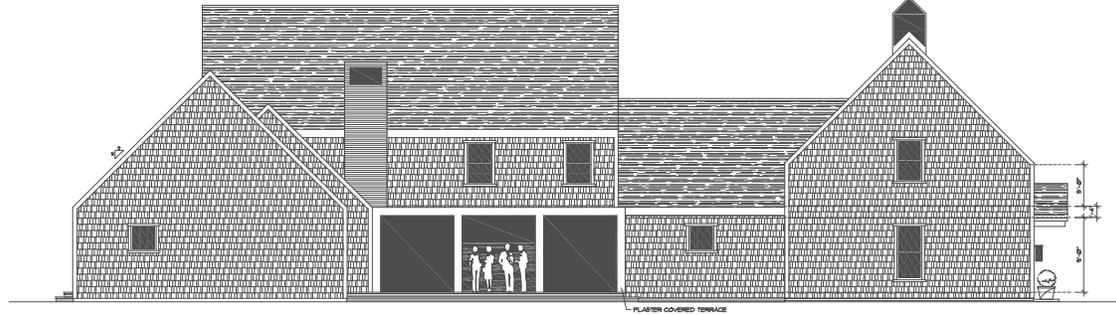
**RECOMMENDATION:**

If the Historic Preservation Commission chooses to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness per Section 50-97(c)(1) of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, it may do so with the conditions as outlined in Section 50-98., “Compliance” of the Dothan City Code.





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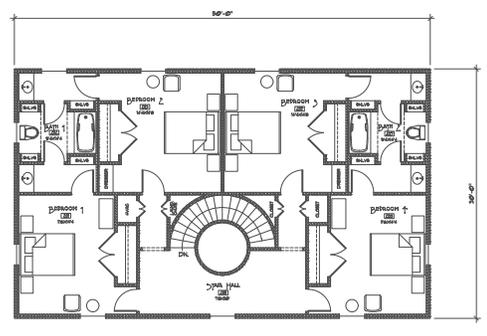


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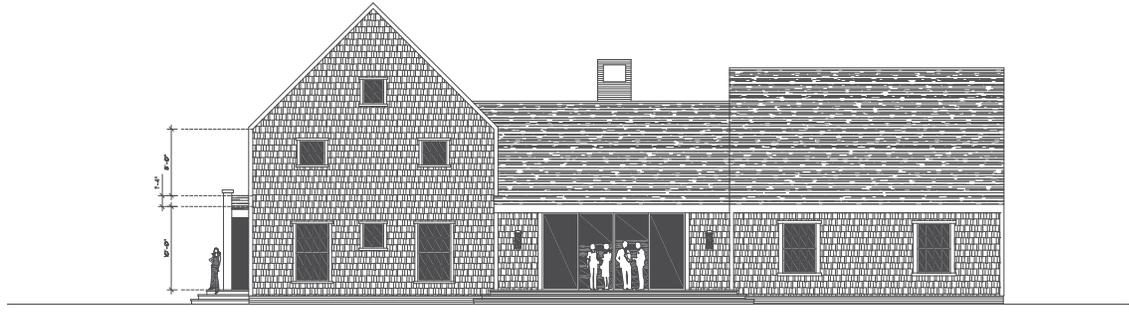


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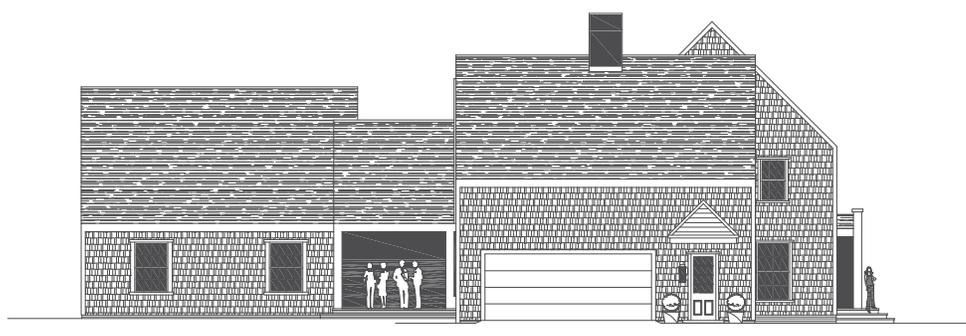


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LEFT ELEVATION: GARAGE CUTAWAY  
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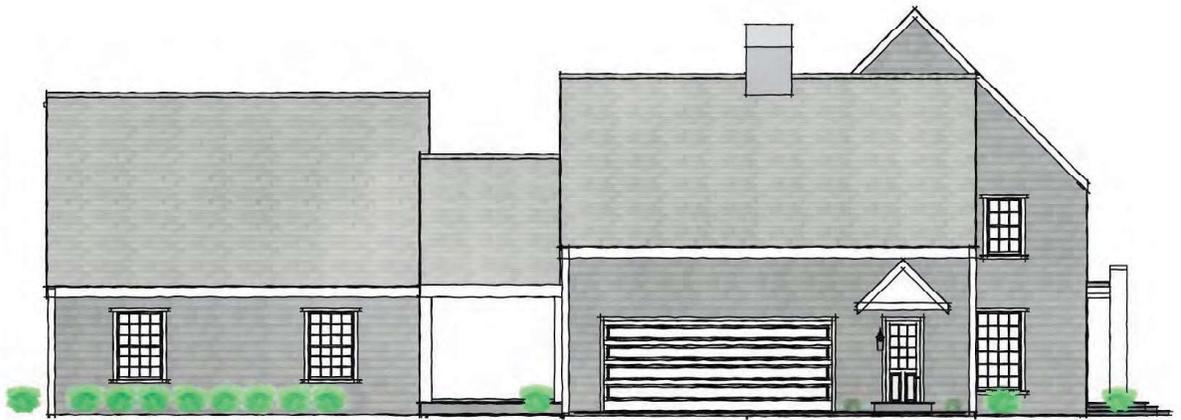
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South Orange View



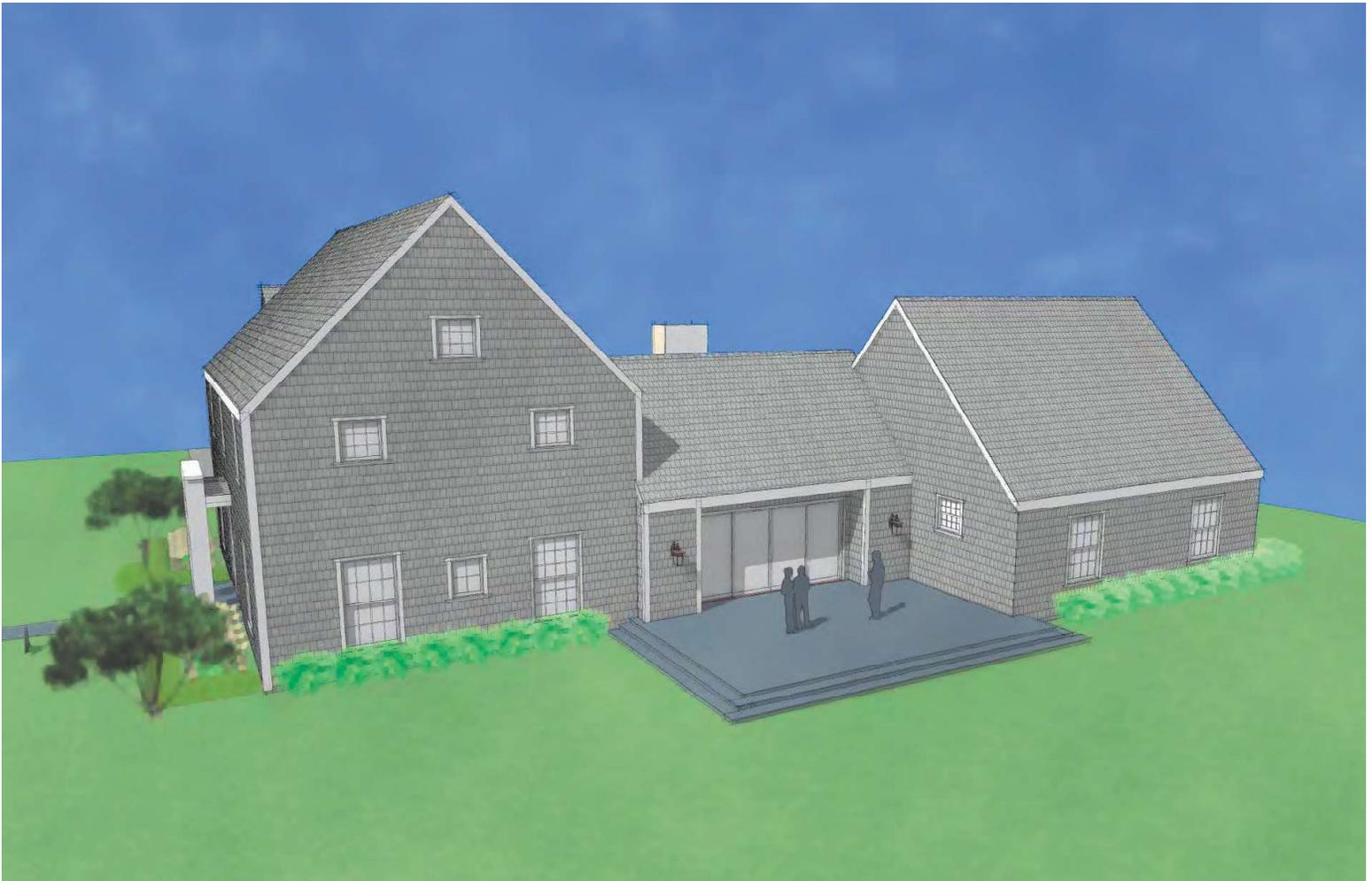
Rear View



North View



Woodlawn View



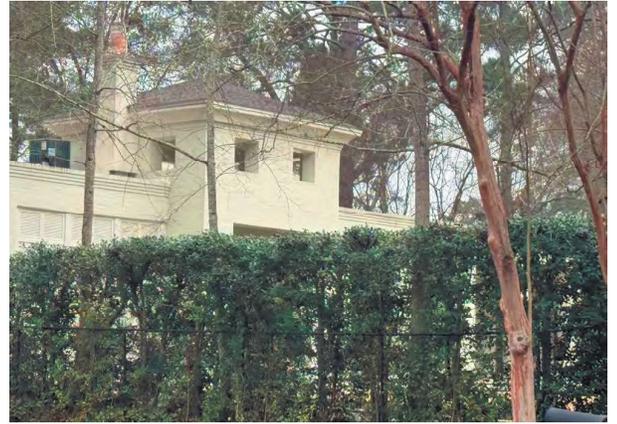




Front Door



Family Entrance Door



Privacy Hedge



Inchyra Blue

Stiffkey Blue

Hague Blue



FARROW & BALL,  
HAGUE BLUE



Exterior Walls:  
Composite Shingles by Brava,  
Lake Forest

Roof:  
Composite Shingles by Brava,  
Aged Cedar





— Exterior Trim,  
Aztec