Charlotte Historic District Commission

Staff Review HDC 2017-132

Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness

Date: July 12, 2017 PID# 07102235

LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT: Dilworth

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1211 East Worthington Avenue

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: Painted Brick

APPLICANT: Marc Huberman/Peter McGrath

The project was Continued from June to determine if the paint can be removed. The applicant has attempted to remove the paint from the brick. However, paint would remain in the mortar and cracks in the bricks.

Details of Proposed Request

Existing Context

The existing home is one story brick American Small House/Colonial style house constructed in 1950. It is listed as Non-Contributing in the Dilworth National Register of Historic Places. The application for painted brick was continued based to determine whether the paint can be removed.

Proposal

The brick exterior was painted without a COA by the previous owner. A notice of Violation was issued. The new owners are requesting to keep the paint.

Policy & Design Guidelines, page 30 (Previous Guidelines)

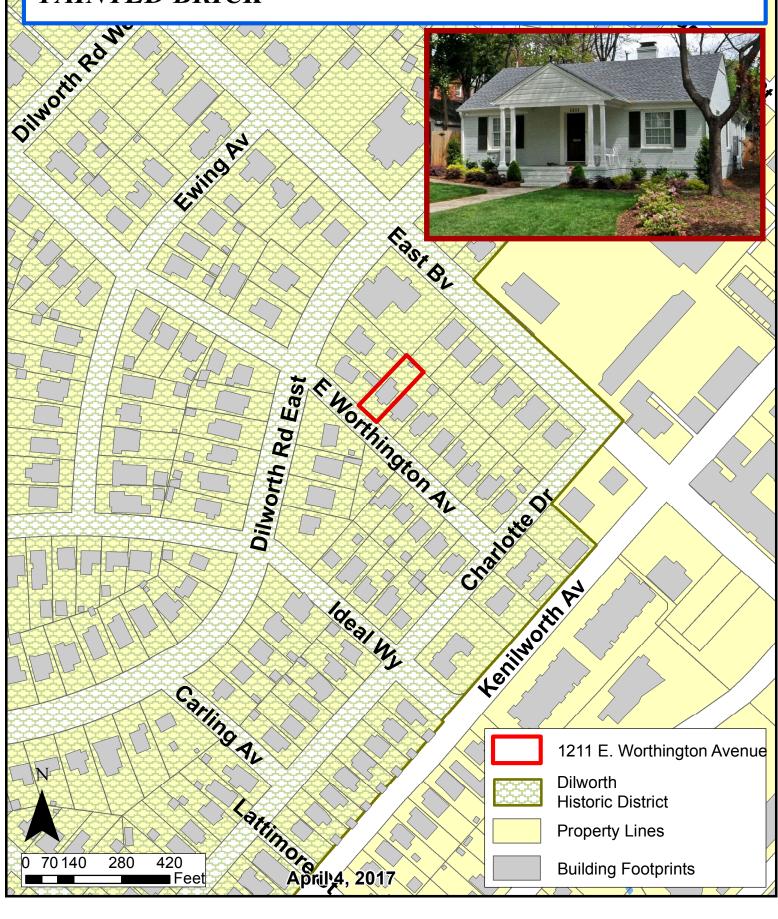
- 4. The painting of unpainted brick or masonry will require a Certificate of Appropriateness. Painting brick or masonry is not considered a change of color, but a fundamental change in the character of a building. The painting of brick or other masonry will not be permitted except in such special circumstances as:
 - a. The repainting of buildings first painted prior to the establishment of the appropriate Local Historic District.
 - b. Cases where a brick building has poorly matched additions or repair work, and where the painting is designed to unify the disparate parts of the building.

Staff Analysis

The Commission shall determine if an exception shall be granted for the painted brick based on the evidnce provided. Other options include faux finish painting, clay paint faux-finish that removes the paint over time or other appropriate methods for removal.



Charlotte Historic District Commission Case 2017-132 HISTORIC DISTRICT: Dilworth PAINTED BRICK







Painted Brick

1211 East Worthington

Charlotte, North Carolina

- Uneven joints and brick installation with overfilled mortar joints
- Inconsistent size of brick
- Degradation of existing brick and mortar
- Broken and crooked bricks
- Patching of motar with mortar drips
- Mortar joints and brick sizes different from old and new addition years ago



1211 East
Worthingtonhome before
being
painted

Stained brickunable to be cleaned due to the age of the brick and its brittleness



Stained brick white and black
dirty marks that
could not be
cleaned and or
removed without
damaging the
mortar joints and
brittle brick







Left side Right side Back

Blue and orange tap show irregularities in masonry construction and while house needed to be painted

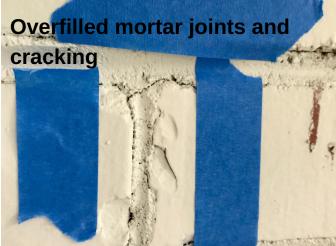
Inconsistency in masonry work provided little possibility for improving the exterior look of the home without painting the brick



















1908 Dilworth Rd West

128 East Worthington

2137 Charlotte Dr

Painted brick houses in Dilworth

- 1918 Ewing Ave
- 1022 East Worthington Ave
- 1211 East Worthington Ave
- 1615 Dilworth Rd West
- 1908 Dilworth Rd West
- 2012 Dilworth Rd West
- 2018 Dilworth Rd West
- 2114 Dilworth Rd West
- the list goes on with over 100 homes painted around Dilworth

Improving the houses exterior increases property and neighborhood values



Home in Dilworth remodeled and painted brick



Blue and orange tape signifies brick, joint, and mortar irregularities

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR JULY















