

# **Staff Report and Findings of Fact Nomination to the Spokane Register of Historic Places Moye House – 1224 W. 11th Avenue**

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

**1. SMC 17D.100.090: "Generally a building, structure, object, site, or district which is more than fifty years old may be designated an historic landmark or historic district if it has significant character, interest, or value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the city, county, state, or nation."**

- Completed in 1908; the Moye House meets the age criteria for listing on the Spokane Register of Historic Places.

**2. SMC 17D.100.090: The property must qualify under one or more categories for the Spokane Register (A, B, C, D, E).**

- The building is eligible under Category C – Architecture. The house is a good representation of the bungalow house form embellished in the Craftsman style with Swiss Chalet influence.
- Craftsman-style details are illustrated in the roof's widely overhanging eaves with exposed rafters, wide vergeboards with tapered ends, decorative knee brace brackets under the front and rear roof gables, and a combination of narrow horizontal-width clapboard and wood shingle siding. An original solid brass Craftsman-style chandelier with square opaque glass shades illuminates the dining room.
- Swiss Chalet-style influence is seen in the gable peak above the second floor, which is clad with false half-timbering and stucco infill.

**3. SMC17D.040.090: "The property must also possess integrity of location, design, materials, workmanship, and association." From NPS Bulletin 15: "Integrity is the ability of a property to convey its significance...it is not necessary for a property to retain all its historic physical features...the property must retain, however, the essential physical features that enable it to convey its historic identity."**

- The Moye House retains outstanding architectural integrity in original location, design, materials, workmanship, and association to be considered for listing. Alterations of the exterior have been limited to porch remodels at the rear of the house and the interior maintains many features including built-in furniture and original light fixtures along with the original floor plan.

**4. Once listed, this property will be eligible to apply for incentives, including:**

Special Valuation (property tax abatement), the City of Spokane's Historic Preservation Façade Improvement Program, Spokane Register historical marker, and special code considerations.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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The **Moye House** qualifies for eligibility under Spokane Register Category C.

Preservation Officer Review: Megan Duvall  
Nominations Committee: Shockley, Rast, West  
Landmarks Commission Review: Pending

Report: 9/12/19  
Site Visit: 9/11/19  
Hearing: 9/18/19