



CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON  
**Historic District Commission**  
**Certificate of Appropriateness**

Plans for: 24 E. Washington St.  
Applicant/Building Representative: Damon Rocho

The Clarkston Historic District Commission grants a Certificate of Appropriateness April 12, 2016, for the plans as presented, which include:

- Removing and replacing the front porch's existing rotted two sections of railing.
- The new wood railing will have a simple horizontal top and bottom that is approximately two-to-three inches off the porch floor (per homeowner's desire to better address drainage).
- To replace the ceiling with either a flat wood or beadboard ceiling.
- To install a simple, unlit ceiling fan.

This project adequately meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, most notably number nine, which states that "new additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment"; and number ten, which says "New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired."

It is understood an HDC review is integrally based on the lack of precedence as each reviewed structure is unique in age, condition, relevance in defining characteristics, and other considerations, and therefore the setting of precedent is impossible. Also, a CoA is **not** synonymous with a building permit, so applicants should maintain contact with the city building department, and possibly other city agencies, to confirm compliance of other ordinances and city laws.

The members of the Commission wish you well with your project. Please contact us if you make any additions or changes to your plans.

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Cara Catallo  
Clarkston Historic District Commission