



City of Winchester

609 South Cameron Street

Tax Map Number: 213-1-B-17

DHR Resource Number: 138-0042-0299

Resources: 1 single dwelling

Date/Period: ca. 1870

Style: Italianate

Sources: Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps; Quarles, *The Story of One Hundred Old Homes*



Architectural Description

Site Description: This single dwelling is located on the west side of South Cameron Street and directly fronts the bricked sidewalk. The dwelling is sited on a sloping lot that feature mature trees and shrubs, as well as foundation plantings. A gravel drive enters the property from South Cameron Street north of the dwelling and travels westward towards the rear of the property. A wood fence bounds the south edge of the property and a stone retaining wall lines the eastern edge of the property, located south of the dwelling.

Secondary Resource Summary: There are no secondary resources associated with this property.

Primary Resource Description: This two-story, three-bay single dwelling was constructed circa 1870 in the Italianate style. The wood-frame dwelling is clad with wood weatherboard siding with wood corner boards and is set on a solid stone foundation of random rubble. A side-gabled roof of standing-seam metal caps the dwelling. The roof is finished with overhanging eaves, cornice returns, a raking wood cornice and sawn wood brackets. An interior-end brick chimney of stretcher-bond brick rises from the north (side) elevation and has a plain cap. T

he southernmost bay on the first story of the façade (east elevation) contains a single-leaf paneled wood door with a one-light wood transom. The door is sheltered by a one-story, one-bay porch, which is set on a brick pier foundation infilled with wood lattice. Constructed circa 1925, the stylized porch has a half-hipped roof of standing-seam metal that is supported by chamfered wood posts and pilasters with sawn brackets. The roof is finished with overhanging eaves, sawn brackets and a paneled frieze. Sawn wood balusters and a flight of wood steps in the side bay complete the porch. The window openings on the façade contain 2/2, double-hung, wood-wash windows with wood sills, ogee-molded wood surrounds and operable louvered wood shutters. The northernmost bay of the foundation contains double-leaf board-and-batten doors with a square-edged wood surround. The upper gable end of the south (side) elevation contains a rectangular-shaped wood louvered vent with a square-edged wood surround. A two-story ell is located on the northwest corner of the rear (west) elevation and is original to and shares the same material treatment as the main block. The ell is capped by a front-gabled roof of standing-seam metal. The north elevation of the ell is fenestrated with 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows with ogee-molded wood surrounds and operable louvered wood shutters. The south side of the ell features a two-story integrated porch. Chamfered wood posts support the deck, which is finished with sawn wood balusters.

A two-story addition is located on the rear elevation of the ell and was constructed circa 1950. The wood-frame addition is clad with wood weatherboard siding and is capped by a front-gabled roof. The foundation and roofing material were not visible from the public right-of-way. The north elevation is fenestrated with 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows with operable louvered wood shutters and ogee-molded wood surrounds. The rear and south elevations of the addition were not visible from the public right-of-way.

Significance Statement: This Italianate-style single dwelling is indicative of the domestic architecture constructed along South Cameron Street in the City of Winchester during the third quarter of the nineteenth century. Walter Kidney, a local historian, noted in his book *Winchester: Limestone, Sycamores, and Architecture* that this dwelling was constructed circa 1870, which is supported by the form and materials. This single dwelling retains integrity of materials, workmanship, and design, despite the construction of a rear addition and the stylized alterations of the early twentieth century that are common to domestic architecture in this city. Further, this dwelling retains integrity of location and setting. All of these aspects contribute to integrity of feeling and association. This single dwelling is a contributing resource to the Winchester Historic District under Criteria A and C.