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The J. C. Johnson House is a large, $2\frac{1}{2}$ story home located just north of the central business district in Muncie, Indiana. It is an irregularly shaped structure that combines elements of Queen Anne and Richardsonian Romanesque architecture. The structure is predominantly brick, with a tower and a two story bay constructed of limestone, and gable areas and dormers sided with shingles. The roof is slate and features decorative ridge trim with finials at the apices of the tower and some of the dormers. There are four slender chimneys located at random throughout the roof area; each of these features some type of limestone decoration near the top. The foundation of the building is of rough faced stone.

The main entry to the house is located in the south facade. This facade consists of a two-bay, $2\frac{1}{2}$ story gabled unit with a low, two story tower projecting from the east side. The western bay contains identical triple-window units on the first and second floors; these units feature pilasters at either side, stone sills and lintels, and a fixed, stained glass panel over each center window. The east bay of the ground floor contains the main entry, a large double doorway surmounted by a rectangular transom. On the second floor this bay contains an oriel decorated with garlands and featuring two double-hung, one-over-one stained glass windows. The projecting gable area, covered with shingle siding, contains a recessed Palladian-style window unit. The center window of this unit features a rounded arch hood with a keystone, supported by a pair of plain columns. Limestone quoins are used to accentuate the corners of this entire rectangular, gabled area.

The two-story tower projecting to the east is constructed of alternating courses of smooth and rough faced limestone, and contains double-hung, one-over-one windows, as well as one smaller stained glass window. The main entry and the ground floor of the tower are both protected by an open porch constructed with plain wooden columns, and a railing with slender turned balusters.

The east facade of the building echoes the south facade in its use of an oriel and a recessed, triple-window unit in the gable area. The north, or rear, wall contains a large frame summer porch on the second floor level, topped by two dormers. The west wall features a two story, polygonal bay which, like the tower, is constructed of alternating courses of smooth and rough faced limestone. This bay is surmounted by a hipped dormer. Various small, stained glass windows are located throughout the structure.

The interior of the house is notable for the extensive use of finely crafted woodwork in the Queen Anne style. This is particularly evident in the main entry hall, which features an oak fireplace surround, paneled staircase, and coffered ceiling. Ionic columns of oak support a screen consisting of turned and tapered balusters set in rails, positioned over the doorway leading to the staircase. Oak pocket doors provide access to the library in the rear of the house, which has built-in bookcases, oak wainscotting, and a coffered ceiling similar to that in the entry hall. Other rooms in the house are less ornate, but oak woodwork and fireplace surrounds predominate throughout the house.

8. Significance

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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The J. C. Johnson House is significant for its architecture and fine craftsmanship, for its design by two of Indiana's most prominent architects, and for its association with one of Muncie's leading citizens. The house, built in 1897, is a mixture of Richardsonian Romanesque and Queen Anne design elements. It features several stained glass windows, two oriels, two story stone bay, and numerous other interesting exterior elements. The interior boasts ornate oak mantlepieces and coffered ceilings, and finely crafted woodwork.

The house was designed by the Fort Wayne architectural firm of Grindle and Weatherhogg. Alfred Grindle was originally from London, and came to this country in 1888. After a short stay in New Jersey, he moved to Indiana and practiced architecture in Fort Wayne, Muncie, and Indianapolis. Charles R. Weatherhogg was also from England, and moved to America in 1893. He worked primarily in the Fort Wayne area. During the two years these men were partners, they collaborated on the Jasper County Courthouse, and the Suzanne Thomas House in Muncie, as well as the Johnson home.

The home was built as the residence of John C. Johnson. Johnson was born in New York in 1843, and served in the Union Army throughout the Civil War. He then spent 17 years working for a lumber company in Albany, New York, and finally started his own lumber business in Bridgeport, Connecticut, in 1882. He sold his interest in that firm two years later, moved to Muncie, and bought into his brother's company, the A. L. Johnson Lumber Company. In addition to his position with this firm, he also became president of the Muncie Paint and Roofing Company in 1892, and was named president of the Delaware County Bank in 1896. He served as a member of the City Council for several years. He passed away on December 13, 1904. His importance in the community might be measured by the fact that during his funeral, all commercial and business activities in the city were suspended for ten minutes in his honor.

The J. C. Johnson residence remains one of Muncie's finest and best preserved old mansions, and is notable for having survived with its integrity intact.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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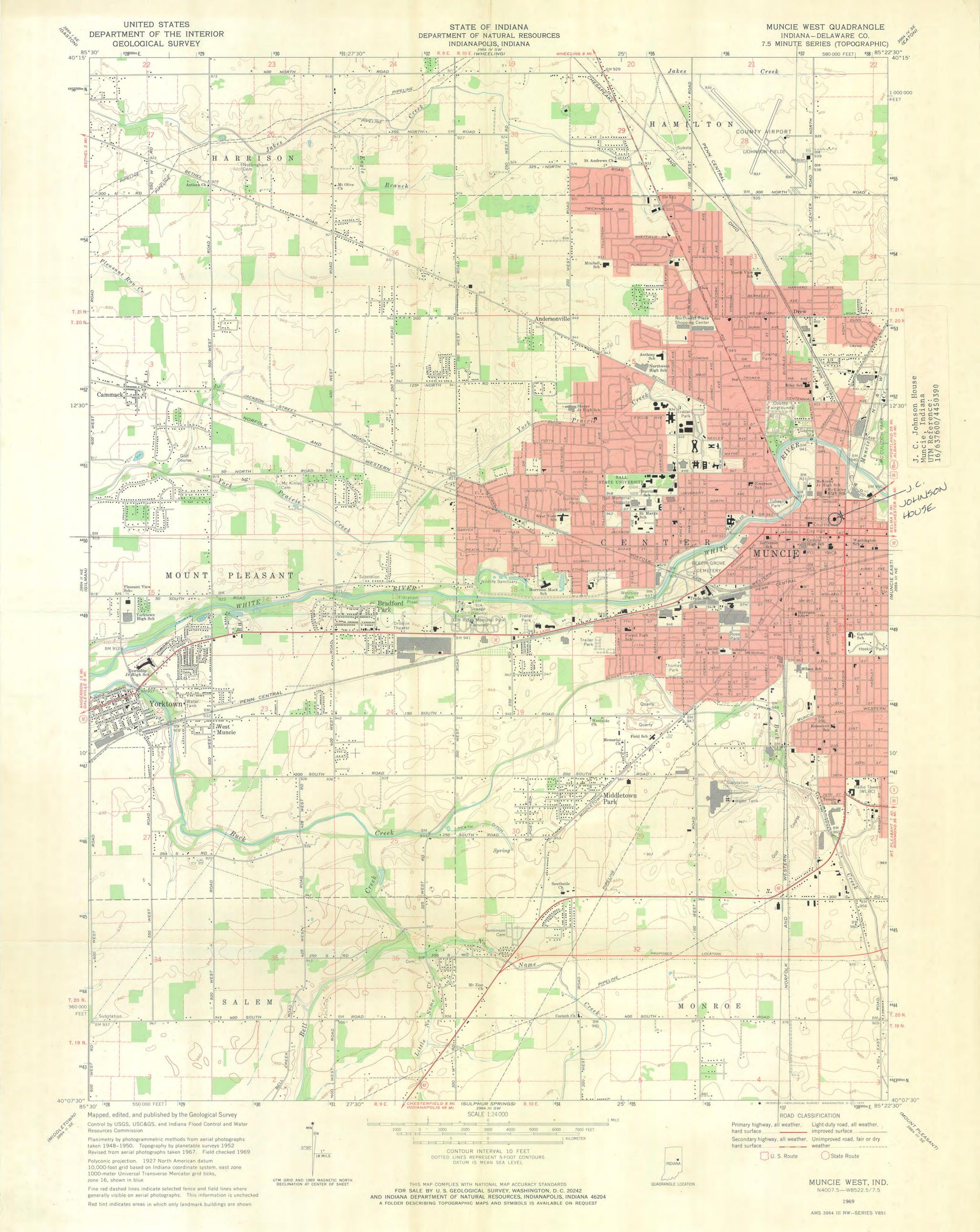


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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

JAMES M. RIDENOUR DIRECTOR

> Division of Historic Preservation Indiana State Museum 202 North Alabama Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

June 16, 1982

Carol D. Shull Acting Chief of Registration D O I W 434 Washington, D.C. 20243



Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed is a National Register Nomination for the J. C. Johnson House, 322 East Washington Street, Muncie, Delaware County, Indiana.

The Indiana Professional Review Board reviewed the nomination, and voted to recommend its inclusion in the National Register.

Very truly yours,

Richard A. Gantz Assistant to the

State Historic Preservation Officer

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National Register of Historic Places

Note to the record

Correspondence related to removal

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

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If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.



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April 9, 2018

Jamie Manzanera 3051 NW 107th Ave., Suite 111320TP1CO Doral, FL 33172

Re: J.C. Johnson House, 322 E. Washington Street, Muncie, Indiana



Dear Interested Party,

It has come to our attention that the above property has suffered a drastic change in its historic integrity. The property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on July 15, 1982. Current records indicate that you, at the above address, are the current owner of the property.

The property suffered a catastrophic fire in 2007, and has been reduced to a masonry shell. Staff have determined that the property has lost enough integrity, to the point that it is no longer a prime example of the Queen Anne and Richardsonian Romanesque styles. Additionally, the nomination cited the fine craftsmanship of the house, which has been drastically reduced by the fire, subsequent water damage, and prolonged exposure to the elements. The house's style and craftsmanship were the primary reasons the house was listed.

Since the property no longer exhibits enough of the character for which it was listed, we intend to request that it be removed from the National Register. Per 36 CFR 60.14, we are required to notify the owner and the chief elected local official and provide an opportunity to comment on our proposed action.

Please address any questions you or your staff may have to my National Register staff, Paul Diebold or Holly Tate. Please address any written comments you may have to our office on or before May 11, 2018.

Very truly yours,

Cameron F. Clark

State Historic Preservation Officer

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copies: Honorable Dennis Tyler, Mayor, City of Muncie; Brad King, City of Muncie; Delaware County Commissioners.



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July 27, 2018

Ms. Joy Beasley Keeper of the National Register National Register of Historic Places Mail Stop 7228 1849 C St., NW Washington, D.C. 20240



Re: J.C. Johnson House, 322 E. Washington St., Muncie, Delaware County, IN

Dear Ms. Beasley,

We hereby request that the J.C. Johnson House, Muncie, Indiana, be removed from the National Register of Historic Places. The property was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on July 15, 1982.

A fire devastated the house in 2007, leaving it a masonry shell with no roof. The resulting ruins have been left exposed to the elements since that time. Based on the information presented on the CD enclosed with this letter, DHPA staff believes that the house is no longer a prime example of Queen Anne and Richardsonian Romanesque, and that its once-fine craftsmanship has been degraded by fire, water, and exposure to weather. The house's style and grandeur were the primary aspects of significance cited in the nomination.

Since the property no longer exhibits any of the reasons for which it was listed, we are requesting that it be removed from the National Register. No comments have been received regarding the delisting. Please address any questions you or your staff may have about this nomination to my National Register staff, Paul Diebold or Holly Tate.

Very truly yours,

Cameron F. Clark

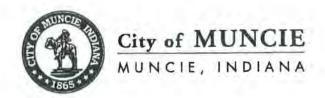
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Muncie Historic Preservation and Revitalization Commission City Hall 300 N. High Street Muncie, Indiana 47305-1639

February 29, 2018

Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology 402 W. Washington Street, Room W274 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2739



Re: Petition to Remove 322 E. Washington from the National Register of Historic Places

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in regards to the J.C. Johnson House (House), located at 322 East Washington Street in Muncie. This property was added the National Register of Historic Places (Register) in July 1982. The Muncie Historic Preservation and Revitalization Commission (Commission) is seeking removal of this property from the Register under Title 36, Chapter I, Part 60, Section 60.15, Subsection (a)(1) of the Code of Federal Regulations. The Commission no longer believes the House meets the criteria for listing in the Register, as the qualities which caused it to be originally listed have been destroyed.

In 2007, the House was the site of a massive fire, completely destroying the third and third and-a-half stories. Since then, the House has largely sat open and unsecured, leaving it subject to further damage by weather and vandals. The fire destroyed nearly all the Richardsonian Romanesque architectural elements, the gabled areas and dormers sided with shingles, and the slate roof with its decorative ridge trim with finials at the apices of the tower and dormers. While the limestone pilasters, brick, and roughed faced stone foundation are still intact, they are losing structural integrity, as shown by the bowing wall on the eastern elevation.

Enclosed you will find photos of the 2007 fire, current photos and videos, as well as a 2009 Feasibility Study on the House.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely.

Brad King, Historic Preservation Officer

City of Muncie

CC: Dennis Tyler, Mayor, City of Muncie

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Feasibility Study for the

J.C. Johnson House





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This study was commissioned by The City of Muncie's Community Development for the purpose of documenting the J.C. Johnson House historically and determining the most appropriate way of salvaging the building. Funding for this study was provided in part by Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana. Two firms were commissioned, Underwood Architecture and The Studio Three. Each firm brings complimentary expertise in historic preservation, building code review, architectural design, construction, and cost estimating.

The assumption taken in preparing this study was that it would serve as a guide to anyone interested in what's best for the building, regardless of ownership. The recommendations are based on its historic significance, viability of current and future use, code considerations, current construction methods, and projected construction costs. This study very preliminary and is not intended to serve as construction documentation or a means of obtaining construction funding. Several intermediate steps will be required to create these tools. It is the intention that this study portrays an initial snapshot of the building's value, potential use, and financial requirements to take the next step toward the structure's survival and viability.

The J.C. Johnson House is located in the Goldsmith C. Gilbert Historic District in Muncie, Indiana. It was designed by architects Grindle and Weatherhogg and built in 1897. It is an exceptional example of Queen Anne style and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The building has been the home of various families and businesses throughout the years, most recently as a restaurant.

The building caught fire in 2007 and incurred significant damage from fire and water. All of the roof structure is now gone and a temporary covering has been installed. The building has been purchased by a neighbor who is interested in salvaging and rebuilding the building. It has been considered for demolition by the local Unsafe Building Hearing Authority. This study was commissioned to assess the building's condition and to provide recommendations for a viable future.

This study recommends short-term stabilization to prevent further damage to the building. It also suggests building uses and reconstruction approaches based on historical information and current design parameters such as zoning, code compliance, and accessibility. A preliminary cost estimate is also included.

The J.C. Johnson House address is 322 East Washington Street and is located in the Goldsmith C. Gilbert Historic District. It is on the north side of Washington Street, one half block west of Elm Street. The Goldsmith C. Gilbert Historic District is roughly eight blocks of land, primarily residential in nature. The district represents part of Muncie's earliest development. In 1866 the Gilbert District was inhabited by many pioneer businessmen who became prosperous during the area's gas boom. After the nearby commercial district grew and the city expanded eastward, many of the residents moved there. Two brothers, J.C. Johnson and A.L. Johnson decided to stay in this area.

The property zoning is currently Central Business. This zone allows a multitude of uses including residence, business offices, restaurants, hotels, and retail establishments.



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John C. Johnson was an industrialist born in New York City in 1843. He served in the Union Army throughout the Civil War, then spent 17 years forking for a lumber company in Albany, New York. He started his own lumber business in Bridgeport, Connecticut in 1882. After two years he moved to Muncie and partnered with his brother Abbott L. Johnson in ownership of the A.L. Johnson Lumber Company. He also became president of the Muncie Paint and Roofing Company in 1892. In 1896 he was named president of the Delaware County Bank. J.C. Johnson served as a member of Muncie City Council for several years. The J.C. Johnson House, located at 322 East Washington, was designed by architects Grindle and Weatherhogg (Fort Wayne, IN) and built in 1897. Abbott L. lived next door at 328 East Washington. John C. died in 1904.

The house was left to his daughter and wife who lived there until 1929. During the Depression, the house was vacant. Afterward several local business occupied the structure including the Red Cross, the Carpenters' Union, attorneys' offices and two restaurants.

The J.C. Johnson House is listed on the National Register of Historic Places (1982). It is also a contributing structure in the Goldsmith C. Gilbert Historic District. It is significant for its architecture and fine craftsmanship. It is a mixture of Richardsonian Romanesque and Queen Anne styles. It features 17 stained glass windows, two oriel windows, a two story stone bay. The interior reflects the owner's interest in fine wood craftsmanship with oak, cherry, mahogany, birds eye maple and pine details.

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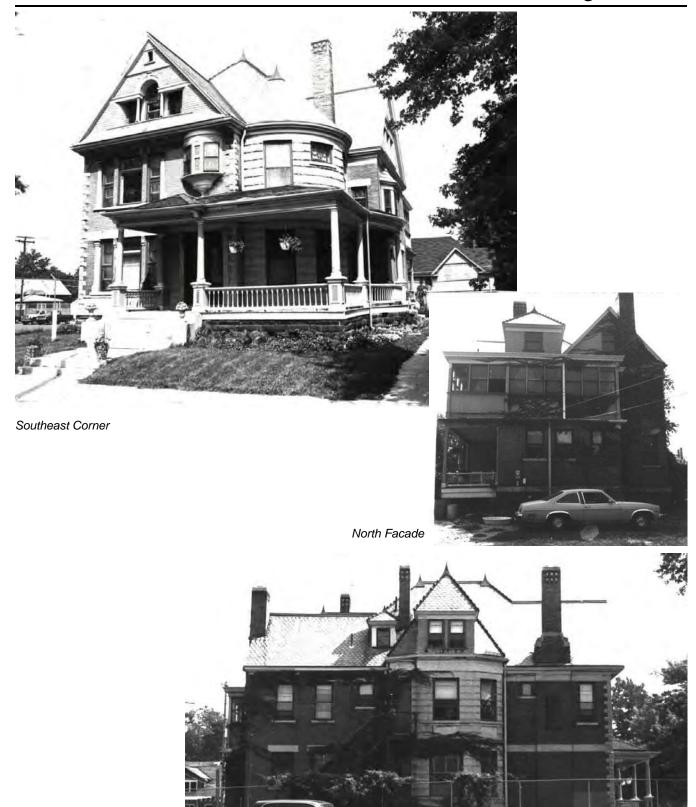
An exceptional example of a Queen Anne house, the Johnson residence is built of tan brick and limestone. The house is basically an "L" in plan with a semi-circular bay in the corner of the "L". The foundation is of rock-face stone with a dressed water table. The front porch has an irregular hipped roof with Tuscan columns on plinths. A portion of the porch wraps around to the east and follows the curve of the semi-circular bay. The front gabled section has a triple window group framed by stone pilasters on each story. The groupings are formed by a fixed square window with a stained glass transom in the center flanked by one-over-one double hung sash windows. The main entry is located under the porch. Stone quoins mark the corners of the front gable area. There is a wood semi-circular oriel window with stained glass windows and classical decorations above the main entry. The front gable is jettied and is covered in patterned wood shingles. A Palladian arch with Tuscan columns in antis fills the front gable. A Palladian windows is recessed behind the arch. The two story corner bay is semicircular and has alternating bands of rock-faced and dressed limestone. The bay has two windows on the ground and three on the second floor. The central second floor stained glass window is fixed. A conical roof tops the bay. A gable similar in treatment to the front faces east. It is more simplified in design than the front gable, lacking the quoins and pilasters used on the main elevation. The central portion of the house's roof is hipped, but it is broken down by previously discussed gables and conical roof. The house has hexagonal slate roofing with cast-iron ridge work.

Historical Significance





Northeast Corner



West Facade

Historical Significance



Bay Window





East Gable



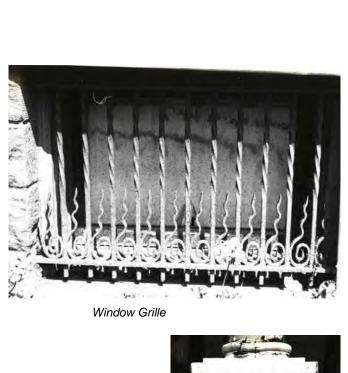
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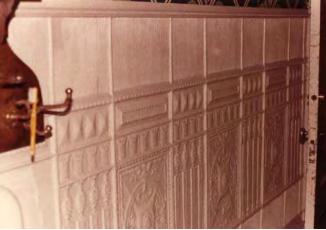


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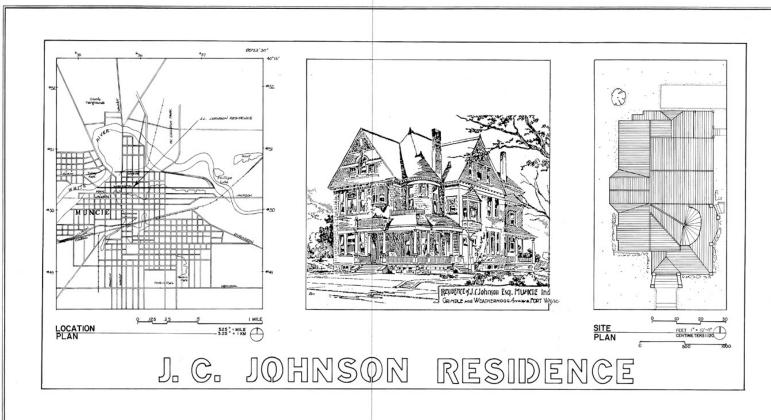
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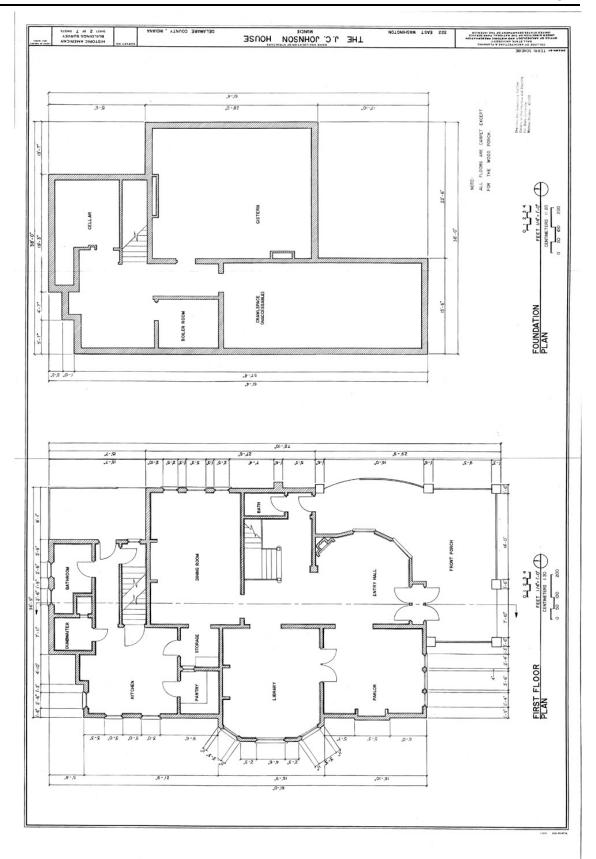
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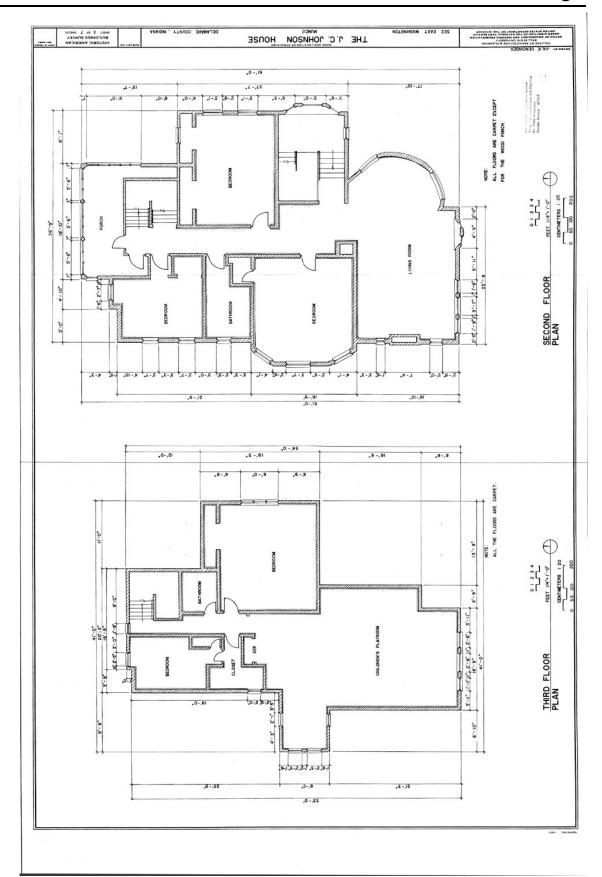
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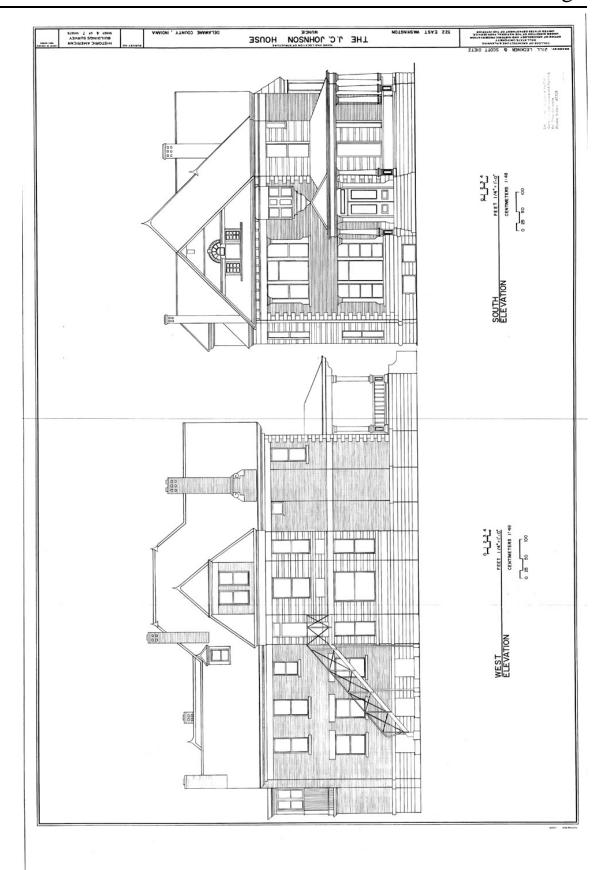
THE JC JOHNSON HOUSE WAS BUILT IN 1897 FOR MR JOHNSON AND HIS FAMILY, MR. JOHNSON WAS AN INDUSTRIALIST WHO WORKED IN WOOD CRAFTING AND DIED IN 1904. THE HOUSE WAS LEFT TO HIS DAUGHTER AND HIS WIFE, AND THEY LIVED THERE UNTIL 1929. DURING THE TIMES OF DEPRESSION, THE HOUSE WAS VAÇANT. AFTER THIS, SEVERAL COMMUNITY BUSINESSES OCCUPIED THE HOUSE SUCH AS THE RED CROSS AND THE CAPPENTER'S UNION HALL. IN 1979, TWO LAWYERS ADURED THE HOUSE AS THEIR OFFICE. THE J.C. JOHNSON HOUSE IS NOW OWNED BY MR. JOHN R. DAILEY. THE HITERIOR HAS SEVERAL HORSEN FEATURES SUCH AS THE 17 STAIN GLASS WINDOWS. THE LEADED GLASS, AND THE VARIOUS TYPES OF WOOD AND WOODWORK. THE FIRST FLOOR IS MADE OF OAK, CHERRY, AND MAHOGANY. THE SECOND FLOOR IS GAK AND A VERY RARE TYPE OF WOOD CALLED BIRD'S-EYE MAPLE. THE THIRD FLOOR IS MADE ENTIRELY OUT OF PINE. THE STYLE OF THE HOUSE IS QUEEN ANNE WHICH WAS POPULAR DURING THE TIMES OF 1800-1900. SOME OF THIS STYLE IN THE J.C. JOHNSON HOUSE INCLIDE THE ASSYMMETRICAL COMPOSITION, VARIETY OF FORMS, TEXTURES, MATERIALS AND COLORS. THE HOUSE ALSO HAS TALL.

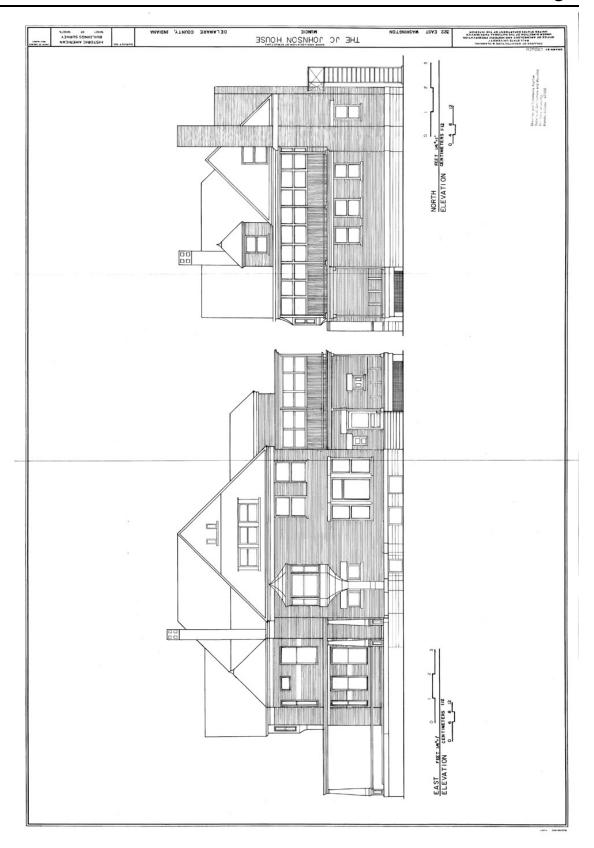
THE MEASURED DRAWINGS OF THE J.C. JOHNSON HOUSE WERE PREPARED BY STUDENTS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE AT THE COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING, BALL STATE UNIVERSITY, DURING 1990.
STUDENTS DOCUMENTING THE HOUSE INCLUDE JLL LECKNER - GROUP LEADER, SCOTT DIETZ, JULIE DENDINGER, TERRI SCHEIBE, AND JEFF CROUCH.

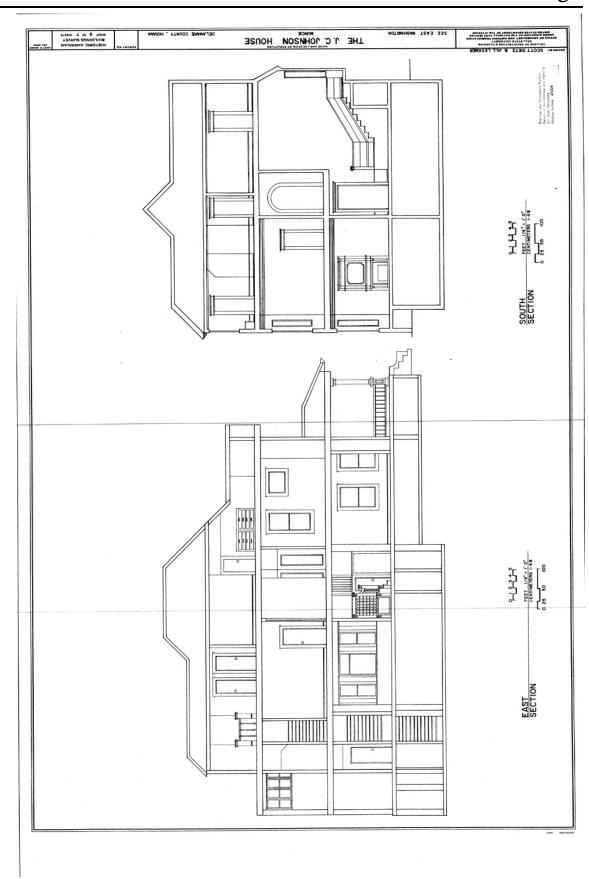




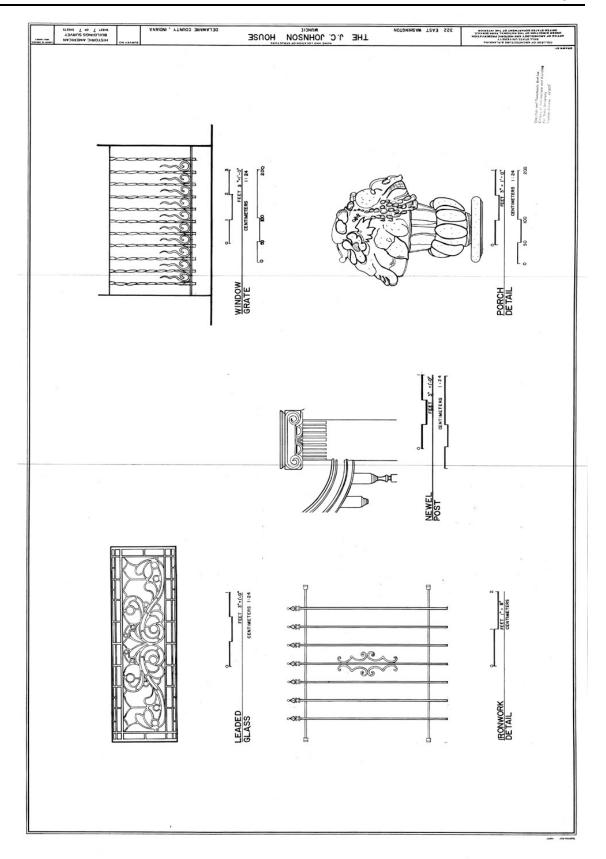
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On the morning of August 3, 1997, the J. C. Johnson house caught fire. The fire began on the second floor in the northwest corner of the house and quickly spread to the third floor and roof area. The Muncie Fire Department spent over three hours extinguishing the fire.

In the days after the fire, there was some confusion regarding ownership of the house, but it was ultimately determined that it belonged to an investor from South Bend, Indiana. It was also discovered that the building was under-insured. The owner undertook an overly aggressive approach to removing fire-damaged elements, stripping everything but the chimneys down to the third floor level. He then applied a temporary plastic sheet covering that was only partially successful in excluding the elements from the building.

As fall moved into winter, the city's historic preservation officer attempted to work with the owner to encourage rehabilitation, or at the least, a better system to shed rain and snow. He asked the city's Building Commissioner to hold off on condemning the home. Despite many promises, no other work occurred. After a winter exposed to the elements, the owner then allowed the former tenants to remove fireplace mantels, stained-glass windows, and other architectural salvage from the building.

With spring the preservation officer reversed tactics, encouraging the building commissioner to declare the building unsafe, which he did on April 15, 2008. The owner was sent a letter on May 2, 2008, ordering him to appear at an Unsafe Building Hearing on May 20.



Before the hearing date, on May 9, 2008, the owner transferred ownership to the next-door neighbor, who is the present owner. He owns and resides at the Abbott Johnson House (brother of J. C.) at 328 E. Washington Street. It is his hope to restore the J. C. Johnson house, but he is working with limited resources that may not be sufficient to meet the task at hand. The preservation officer commissioned the present study, with an Indiana Preservation Grants Fund grant from Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, in hope that it will inform and guide the new owner toward a positive outcome.



Current Condition

The combination of fire damage, smoke damage, water damage from the initial fire, and the subsequent water damage for lack of having a roof have lead to the condition in which the structure now exists. Structurally the fire caused damage to the floor systems, wall systems, interior finishes and more damage to the roof structure. This damage is consistent with a typical low-intensity house fire. Charred surfaces and framing members, smoke damage to surfaces, mechanical/electrical/plumbing utilities charred and damaged. Most of this fire damage is contained to the north and west portions of the structure on all floors. Other damage to the structure has occurred in addition to the fire. When the roof was removed to facilitate new work, the third floor was fully exposed to the elements. As time passed this condition lead to the eventual state that the structure now exists. The interior of the building is severely deteriorated from constant water incursion, mold growth, rot, and failure of finishes and structure.









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Approach

Due to the obvious historic nature of this property and the value of the structure within the city fabric we feel it necessary to recommend a plan of action for reconstruction that closely replicates the original systems, forms, and materials. Certainly other options exist for the restoration of this significant structure, but in light of the total picture of value, worth, serviceability, and authenticity we feel the best approach would be to incorporate new materials to replicate the overall forms and methods of construction that originally brought the structure to life. This is primarily focused on the rebuilding of the missing roof structure but also applies to a few other areas within the structure and most of the interior finishes. This approach could be considered obvious, but our focus in the report is centered on these ideas and it is helpful to keep in mind where our views are coming from when scrutinizing the information contained in the report. In addition, due to many factors, making assumptions as to methods and materials for rehabilitating this great structure is quite difficult without clear guidance as to scope, budget, use, and stakeholders. In this report we have attempted to cover a broad range of options while still keeping in mind the best possible outcome for the structure.

Original construction 'system'

This classic late 19th century house is wonderful example of a large-scale masonry veneer, wood framed residence. The wood framing system is most likely of full cut, dimensional, lumber of an indigenous species and is probably in a stable condition. Most likely the framing system of this structure was engineered and detailed to withstand nearly any typical load or factors that the usual family would contribute to the residence. The assumption as to the structural integrity and stability of the building must be taken into account when considering any other 'use' for the structure.

Short-Term Stabilization

This is of paramount importance to the future of this structure. As mentioned previously, the interior of the building has been severely damaged by the infiltration of water. This situation must be resolved by constructing some type of temporary roof structure. This temporary fix must effectively shed the exterior elements completely off the upper surfaces of the structure and out beyond the vertical plane of the exterior wall. The construction methods for this temporary roof should be reflective of the loads possible during the winter snow months and the long-term exposure that will be inevitable. We would recommend a wood framed roof of at least 4:12 pitch with either roll roofing or 'Ice & Water Shield' applied to securely the roof decking. These materials and methods would be temporary but represent quick and secure way of drying-in the structure.

On the interior of the building we would recommend an immediate evaluation of the electrical system and gas system to ensure that all have been disconnected from the structure and will remain so until repairs can be completed. We would also suggest a cursory evaluation of the structural integrity of the structure be conducted by a licensed structural engineer, a licensed architect, and a qualified building contractor. Portions of the structure have become compromised and are potentially unsafe. Following the stabilization of the structure, the condition of these temporary safeguards must be regularly inspected and maintained to ensure longevity

Replacement system

In our opinion, much of the original character of this structure is a direct result of how the building was constructed and what materials were utilized for the tasks. If the reconstruction of the structure strays away from this simple perspective, the final result will not be in keeping with the original character. With that as the basis for our analysis, we would propose the following action plan and design guidelines.

Architectural Design

This structure and the associated task to restore it are sophisticated enough to require the guidance of a professional architectural firm. The expectations from such a firm should be to obtain a set of viable construction documents that take into consideration the potential use and the significant history of the structure. These documents should be a full design and construction set including architectural, structural, MEP, finishes, and specifications in accordance with applicable codes, building standards, historic preservation guidelines and acceptable practices. In choosing a firm to do this work, we would suggest that careful consideration be given to background in dealing with historic structures, residential & commercial construction, innovative materials, and proximity to the project.

This step in the project is essential not only for the appropriate approvals and permitting that will necessary, but also for the resolution of many inter-related design issues that will become a major component of the work. Careful consideration in choosing a firm, caution when working through the design stages, and real world advice on the build-ability of the work will be necessary. We would also suggest implementing an 'Integrated Design' model for this project. This would require the choosing of a building contractor prior to starting the architectural work and utilizing the contractor during the design process. The advantages of this methodology are many, but the primary factor is the clear relationship between the design intent and the inherent constructability within the project budget.

Exterior Walls

Structurally, the exterior walls of the building seem to be in fair condition and not in need of substantial repair or stabilization except at those areas damaged during the fire and subsequent water infiltration. Repair and or replacement in the damaged areas should be with typical wood framing that best replicates the existing wall cavity dimensions and configurations. The wood stud framed walls will continue to be serviceable into the future.

Some additional consideration should be given to related systems within the exterior walls such as insulation, air infiltration, and wiring. Due to the current condition of the interior of the structure, it would be advisable to remove all the interior wall surfaces to expose the existing structure. The demolition of all unused systems within the walls including outdated wiring, ductwork, plumbing, communication lines, etc. will be beneficial to the task of replacing these systems. New mechanical, electrical, and plumbing work can be executed within the cavities. By exposing the exterior wall it will also be possible to ensure that the building envelope can be completely sealed to air-infiltration and temperature. We would recommend this be achieved by utilizing a closed-cell foam spray or a similar "full-cavity" insulation system. This step will be critical to future building mechanical system performance and consequently the building energy usage. Prior to placing any insulation system, it would also be advised to check for any water infiltration points that would not typically be expected or evident.

Roof Structure

Reconstructing the permanent roof and upper dormer walls on this structure will be one of the larger aspects of the project. Because of the complexity of the original roof and how it intersected the multiple masonry chimneys, it is our suggestion that the rebuilt roof and walls match the original profile to maintain the intended architectural image and to accommodate the multi flashing points in the masonry chimneys. To accomplish this it would be possible to have a truss system fabricated that replicated the original roof shape and forms. The labor costs for truss-type roof systems are typically less expensive than a conventionally framed roof. Although, we feel that a truss type roof framing system wood permanently alter the 'third' floor of the building by making that accessible space unserviceable. Additionally, the complexity of the intersecting cross dormers would require considerable stick framing within the truss system.

It is recommended to consider the stick framing method for replacing the roof structure on the building. Detailed roofing framing plans should be included in the architectural documents.

Interior Partitions

The original ornate wall paneling and wall coverings in this building have been completely compromised due to the water infiltration over the years. Because of this, it is possible that every interior wall surface will need to be demolished and restored to original state. By removing all the interior wall surfaces it will also be possible to completely rehabilitate all the concealed MEP systems within each.

Caution must be taken to carefully document all removed items that might need to be reinstalled. This usually applies to trims, moldings, panel, doors, etc. Another aspect of replacing the interior wall surfaces that must be not be overlooked is the potential change in wall thickness and how those changes could affect detailing at floors, cased openings, jamb extensions, etc. Accommodations should be made for these changes within the architectural documents.

Interior Finishes

The interior of the structure was strikingly beautiful in its heyday. Large wood moldings, rooms of wood panels surfaces, intricate detailing, ornate casings and stairs mostly of clear finished white oak of clear grain and consistent color. This interior must be maintained and/or recreated in our opinion.

Because of the severe water damage to the structure, it is very likely that all the interior finishes will need replacing or restoration to restore the character and quality of the wonderful interior. This will become clearer as the condition of the interior is better inspected during reconstruction. Clear and specific documentation of the existing conditions will be imperative to restoration. This process should identify each and every component affected by the work. If it is found to be reasonable, the rehabilitating of damaged wood trim should be considered desirable over replacement. The material choices for replacing the interior trim will vary tremendously depending on species, grade, color, size, availability, and source. All of these factors must be taken into consideration.

Exterior Finishes

With exception of the area of the structure that was damaged during the fire, the exterior of the building is in satisfactory shape and is only in need of a thorough cleaning, caulking, painting, and some material replacement. This work on the exterior should concentrate on not only the cosmetic restoration but also on ensure the quality of the seals and water shedding properties of the individual components and systems. The masonry veneer is one portion of the exterior damaged during the fire that will require special consideration when selecting materials and specifying methods.

Mechanical Systems

Due to the age and damage to the existing mechanical systems, it is our recommendation that the existing building mechanical units, ductwork, radiators, or piping be completely removed and the materials recycled if possible. In determining the sizing and configuration of the new systems, we recommend hiring a building performance consultant to conduct building energy modeling studies to determine the baseline needs of structure. From this data a appropriately sized system can be designed by a qualified mechanical engineer or qualified mechanical contractor, then implemented. The types of systems available for this project are quite varied and should be chosen with several considerations in mind and should be determined with the assistance of a mechanical engineer or specialist.

Electrical Systems

Due to the age of the existing electrical system, it is our recommendation to remove all associated components including wiring, conduit, panels, boxes, devices, and fixtures. Any original or historic fixtures should be considered for rehabilitation and reuse.

All new wiring and systems within the structure must accommodate the new use and be design to meet current code requirements.

Plumbing Systems

As with the other mechanical systems in the building, the plumbing systems should be removed entirely. All fixtures and piping should be recycled if possible. Design of the new plumbing system should take into account water usage, alternate water heating systems, capturing of gray water, and manifold supply systems.

Specialty Systems

The last category of special interest includes a variety of individual component systems within the building. It is our recommendation that this structure be sprinkled to allow for a wider variety of uses and ensured life safety. Several types of sprinkler systems would be appropriate for this application and careful consideration should be given to each by qualified engineer. Due to some potential uses of the structure, it might be necessary to consider a residential scale elevator. Most elevator suppliers can be very helpful in determining the proper unit and serviceability for the specific application. This resource should be utilized early in the project. Another building system to consider early in the design phase is wiring for information technologies.

Of primary concern prior to implementing any reconstruction of this structure is the future intended use. Our delineation of use is based on the current building code definitions of use and occupancy (2008 Indiana Building Code). In our opinion, this structure has a range of actual uses including single-family residence, business office, bed and breakfast, conference center, and retail establishment. Due of this broad range of potential uses, thorough consideration should be given to how a next-step renovation could affect or limit its future use.

The least restrictive, and least costly use is single-family residence. The code requirements allow minimally fire-rated materials, occupancy separations, and mechanical/electrical system requirements. It also does not require handicapped accessibility. We do not recommend building to this standard simply because of the limitations of use. The building could only serve as a single family residence. Future change of use to a commercial use would require significant renovation of materials and systems or code variances.

The other end of the spectrum would be to rebuild to the most restrictive code requirements. This could be an assembly occupancy such as a restaurant or night club. This building was used as a restaurant previously, however it would not have met the building code in place at the time. Another conservative use would be institutional, i.e. a group home for mentally disabled people.

It is our recommendation to find a middle ground that is reasonable in terms of anticipated use and cost. Building to an office use or B occupancy would put the building into a commercial code category and allow the most flexibility, at lesser dollar investment, to convert to a more restrictive code use in the future. See the chart on the next page for information relative to other occupancies.

Business Group B

- 2-stories allowed, not including basement; third floor allowed if building is fully-sprinklered
- no requirement for sprinkler system (unless for third floor use)
- no occupancy separations
- no requirement for fire-resistant construction assuming V-B construction type (wood-framed)
- Conference/assembly spaces allowed up to 10% of office area for incidental use.

Accessibility

Another aspect of code-compliance is accessibility for the disabled. The requirements would vary according to the building's use. For example, If the building is used as a single family residence, there would be no requirements. If a commercial use is selected, ADA compliance would be required. At a minimum, an accessible path would be necessary to get to the "public" areas of the building. At a maximum, multiple accessible restrooms and possibly living quarters would be required. After a use is determined, a detailed set of requirements should be developed for integration into the renovation.

2006 International Building Code Assuming Type V-B Construction

Assuming Type V-B				
Use and Occupancy	A-2	В	R-2	R-3
	Banquet Halls, Night Clubs, Restaurants, Taverns and bars		Apartments	Bed & Breakfast
Allowable Height/Building Area (based on existing construction type V-B)	1 story/6,000 sf	2 stories/9,000 sf	2 stories/7,000 sf	3 stories/unlimited sf
Allowable sprinkler system increase	Additional story			
Required separation of oc- cupancies (if mixed use)	A/B = 1 hour (sprinklered), 2-hour (non-sprinklered)		A/R = 1 hour (sprinklered), 2-hour (non-sprinklered)	B/R = 1 hour (sprinklered), 2-hour (non-sprinklered)
Fire-resistance rating requirements	0 rating for V-B con		I frame, bearing walls & roof	, non-bearing walls,
Fire-resistance rated con- struction			1-hour fire partition between sleeping units (1/2 hour if sprinklered) (walls and floors)	
Wall and Ceiling Finishes	B/B/C (sprinklered) A/A/B (non- sprinklered)	B/C/C (sprinklered) A/B/B (non- sprinklered)	C/C/C (sprinklered) B/B/C (non- sprinklered)	C/C/C (sprinklered) C/C/C (non- sprinklered)
Automatic Sprinkler Systems	Required			
Max. occupants with one means of egress	49	49	10	10
Exit travel distance	200 (sprinklered) 250 (non- sprinklered)	200 (sprinklered) 300 (non- sprinklered)	200 (sprinklered) 250 (non- sprinklered)	200 (sprinklered) 250 (non- sprinklered)
Corridor fire-resistance	If OL>30 rating = 1 (non-sprinklered) 0 (sprinklered)	If OL>30 rating = 1 (non-sprinklered) 0 (sprinklered)	If OL>10 rating = Not Permitted (non- sprinklered) 0 (sprinklered)	

The following project worksheet has been supplied for reference only and should not be considered an actual price of the work. Final costs can only be determined after a clear definition of the scope of work has been defined. What is being shown representational and accurate for budgeting purposes only.

Project Worksheet

Date: 1/20/2009

Project Name: J.C. Johnson House

Project Address: 322 E. Washington Street 47305

Scope of work Approximate Costs

COSTS FOR IMMEDIATE STABILIZATION

Framing \$10,625

roof framing

misc.

Roofing \$13,750

shingles on new roof deck flashing at chimneys gutters & downspouts

Misc. \$3,650

permits & fees dumpsters & clean up architectural fees

Project Total Estimated Cost:

\$28,025

The estimated price range above reflects both the uncertainty of historic remodeling work and the final material choices and detail selections that still are to be finalized. As the project budget and scope are more definitely identified a more narrow range of the estimated cost can be listed.

General Contingency

\$3,083

misc.

materials

COSTS FOR PRIVATE RESIDENCE USE

Demolition	\$11,125
fire/water damaged structure	
other interior walls and surfaces	
dumpsters	
admpotoro	
Framing	\$16,875
exterior walls	
other interior new framing	
structure repair	
misc.	
Insulation	\$8,750
roof/attic	
exterior walls	
sound insulation	
sealing air gaps	
Windows	\$15,250
new windows in rebuilt areas (10)	
repair existing windows to working order	
Plumbing	\$35,000
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new plumbing piping & systems	
fixtures	
Electrical	\$38,750
Licenteal	ψ30,130
new electrical system	
fixtures	
HVAC	\$40,000
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2 new systems	

\$39,063
\$19,688
* 10,000
\$44,125
\$76,250
\$52,500
\$18,125
\$6,250

Cost Considerations

Exterior glazing \$30,000 storms for windows & doors Misc. \$23,750 permits & fees dumpsters & clean up architectural fees **Project Total Estimated Cost:** \$506,608 The estimated price range above reflects both the uncertainty of historic remodeling work and the final material choices and detail selections that still are to be finalized. As the project budget and scope are more definitely identified a more narrow range of the estimated cost can be listed. **General Contingency** \$55,727 misc. materials

Alternate items

COSTS FOR ADDITIONAL BUILDING USES

Fire protection \$31,250

new wet-pipe system control systems

HVAC \$15,000

1 additional system

Elevator \$30,000

1 additional system

ADA upgrades \$16,875

Framing changes
Exterior access

Misc. \$4,475

permits & fees dumpsters & clean up architectural fees

Project Total Estimated Cost:

\$659,935

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General Contingency

\$72,593

misc.

materials





























































