## City of La Porte Historic Preservation Commission Book of Guidelines Addendum

## **Paint**

If the designated property owner wants to paint the structure with the current color scheme and a COA for that color scheme has been previously approved by the Commission, neither a new COA, nor staff approval is required.(Homeowners may check with city staff for a history of COAs related to the property.)

If the designated property owner wants to paint the structure with the current color scheme, which was chosen prior to formal designation, and for which no COA therefore exists, staff approval is required.

## Landscaping

Repair or replacement of existing sidewalks, driveways, and steps not attached to a building with LIKE materials requires no approval. If UNLIKE materials are used, approval by the entire commission is required.

## Roofing

Many historic houses in LaPorte had wood shakes as their original roofing material. Generally speaking, architectural style shingles are the modern roofing type that best reproduces the look of wood shakes. The traditional 3 tab shingle, popular for much of the 2nd half of the 20th century, is generally considered inappropriate (except for mid 20th century or later houses, that are deemed to be historic in their own right).

Replacement of any asphalt or fiberglass shingle roof, with an architectural style shingle, may be approved by staff.

Replacement of slate, tile, tin or other rare, original, or multi-generation lasting roofing material requires approval by the entire commission.



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