



Martin House

DESIGN CRITERIA. [Section 31.14 of the Ames Municipal Code]

For more information on the Martin House, see the “Local Landmarks and Historic Districts” page.

Design Criteria for 218 Lincoln Way, known locally as the Martin House.

Architecture. The Martin House is a strong example of Craftsman Style residential architecture. Details of design and dimensions of distinct architectural elements of the building shall be followed and conformed to for all alterations or new construction of additions to the building.

Relationship to Lincoln Way. The Martin House’s relationship to Lincoln Way is an essential aspect of its Landmark status. Alterations of changes in use that alter the visual or spatial appearance or aspect of the House from this public way shall be discouraged.

Alterations and Newly Constructed Additions. All alterations and newly constructed additions shall conform to the following characteristics of the building:

- **Building Height:** One and a half stories plus roof pitch.
- **Roof Type & Pitch:** Strong pitch (9:12 and 7:12) with break at level of upper floor. Single gables with two large dormers on north and south sides.
- **Dormers:** One at front and back side of roof, with four integral windows in each.
- **Entry:** Centered door on front facade with panels and glass. One story full width porches. Porch either full or partial width. Massive, square pyramidal porch supports with shallow arches over openings.
- **Exterior Materials:** Narrow (3-1/2") horizontal wood siding with 4" corner boards and painted stucco. Asphalt shingle roof (not original). Wood flooring on porch. Alterations, repairs, and renovations shall match patterns of existing siding, trim, and finish material.
- **Windows:** Double hung, grouped and/or banded. 5-1/2" trim (4-1/2" board with 1" trim piece). Multi-paned upper sashes. Wood only for alterations to match extant trim and muntin patterns.
- **Plan/Footprints:** Simple square plan with porch subordinate to principal two story mass. Minor projections (<3'-0") permissible on sides and back only. Extensions to the rear of the house are preferred to maintain original appearance of front and side elevations, especially from Lincoln Way.