

ELGIN HISTORIC BUILDING PLAQUE PROGRAM
BUILDING PLAQUE APPLICATION FORMS
ELGIN HERITAGE COMMISSION

Building Location :

Street:

So Chapel Street

Number:

70

Present Owner :

Original Owner :

George E. Cook

Building Name :

Date of Construction :

1898 - 99

Builder :

H. Wright Abell

Architect :

H. Wright Abell

Architectural Style :

Queen Anne / Neo Classical Influence



Description of Present and Original (if known) Physical Appearance :
(identify information sources)

70 So Chapel was built for George Cook in 1898. The home is dominated by its gambrel roof, shingled gambrel dormer facade and Palladium window. The garage contained a turntable in the basement so car could always drive straight out, never having to back out. George E. Cook was the son of the founder of D.C. Cook Publishing house.

Statement of Significance :

☒ architecture, ☐ commerce, ☐ community planning, ☐ education, ☐ industry, ☐ government, ☒ religion, ☐ social, local, ☒ history. Please check appropriate categories and describe the importance of the building being considered for a plaque including information sources.

70 So Chapel Street should be considered for a plaque because of its scale and location, it represents National Register nomination, an important part of the perimeter of Sifford Park. Architecturally, it is a blending of Queen Anne and Neo Classical styles. Unique to the Elgin Historic District.

Other Pertinent Data :

Representation in Existing Surveys:

☒ National Register of Historic Places
☐ Illinois Register of Historic Places
☒ Illinois State Survey of Historic Structures
☐ Other Surveys or Studies (please list)
Inventory of Historic Structures
in Kane County, prepared by
Illinois Historic Structures

Building Condition:

☒ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair
☐ deteriorated
☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Application Submitted By :

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City: *Elgin*
State: *Illinois*

Date of Application Submission :

May 27th 1986

BUILDING PLAQUE PROGRAM
PLAQUE CRITERIA RANKING WORK SHEET

Address of Building Under Consideration: 70 S. CHAPEL ST.

Average Scores

1. Architectural Significance
2. Maintenance of Building
3. Conservation of Details
4. Historical Significance
5. Age of Building

George E. Cook
1899

Average Total Score

76.5 *

*Note: To qualify for a plaque a building must receive at least 65 points for a total average score.

Voting Record

Members

Criteria

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
1. Bruce Dahlquist	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>12</u>
2. Heather Hunt	<u>17</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>12</u>
3. Richard Glosman	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. Patricia Miller	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Paul	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. Art Seyller	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>_____</u>
Jerry	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. John Walters	<u>16</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>_____</u>
7. David Campbell	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
8. Mark Herzog	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>_____</u>
9. Karen Schock	<u>16</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>_____</u>
TOTAL SCORES	<u>16.3</u>	<u>16.6</u>	<u>14.5</u>	<u>17.1</u>	<u>12</u>

Note: Voting can only take place if 5 or more members of the Elgin Heritage Commission are present. The high and low scores in each category will be dropped prior to determining the average scores by category and total average score.