

Rich Architectural Heritage

“Judicious variety in architecture characterizes the ideal residence district.” *The Home Book*, 1917.

Five styles of architecture are on display in the Waverly Terrace Historic District: Spanish Mission, Craftsman, Neo-classical, Victorian, and Colonial Revival. One of the most distinctive architectural features throughout the neighborhood is the porch.

Spanish style homes use adobe or stone, with a porch that runs the length of the house front. They include curved features, such as arches. These homes have one, two, or three wings, creating a “U” shape surrounding a patio or garden at the rear of the residence.



Contemporary image of T.W. Smith’s (architect) home and example of the Spanish Mission style of architecture. Photo courtesy of Kason Cox, 2012.



Craftsman style homes are often faced with wood, stone, and stucco materials. This style often includes tapered square columns supporting wide, deep porches. There are often decorative gables under the roof eaves.



Neo-classical architectural style. Photo courtesy of Kason Cox, 2012.

Neo-classical architecture reflects the architectural styles of ancient Greeks and Romans. Distinctive features of this style include the use of columns, along with a symmetrical balance in house design.