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Examples of appropriate new construction of a garage that is context sensitive to and complimentary to the main building.

Protection of Covington's resources does not exclude new construction, but encourages new buildings and additions that are compatible with the historic and visual characteristics of the historic buildings and neighborhoods. The intent of a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone is not to "freeze" an area in time, but rather to encourage complementary additions, alterations, and new buildings that allow for changing needs and tastes. New construction includes both additions and infill buildings.

New buildings and additions should be compatible with the historic and architectural character of the area, yet should also be recognized as products of their own time. By addressing the following criteria, a new building can be designed that respects its historic neighbors but does not simply duplicate them.

New buildings should not seek to imitate or duplicate the historic and architectural character and appearance of an earlier period. For example, an exact copy or reproduction of a Greek Revival or frame Victorian house should not be built in an area where those styles dominate, since the new building may confuse the viewer as to which building is historic and which is newer construction.

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Example of a infill construction that is context sensitive with materials and design