



# City of Geneva, Illinois

## Local Historic District & Landmarks Property Inventory Survey

### GENERAL PROPERTY INFORMATION:

**HISTORIC NAME:** Geneva Lutheran Church Parsonage

**COMMON NAME:** n/a

**DATE OF CONSTRUCTION:** 1895

**SIGNIFICANT ALTERATION DATES:** 1966

**ARCHITECT:** n/a

**BUILDER:** n/a

WILSON BROTHERS: ☐ AUGUST ☐ OSCAR ☐ BOTH

### ARCHITECTURAL DATA:

**ARCHITECTURAL STYLE:** Queen Anne

**OVERALL PLAN SHAPE:** Cruciform

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 2

**FOUNDATION MATERIAL:** Concrete

**PRIMARY WALL MATERIAL(S):** Clapboard, Shingle

**FRONT PORCH:** No

**VISIBLE SIDE PORCH:** No

**ENTRY DOOR(S):** Unknown

**WINDOW MATERIAL:** Wood

**WINDOW STYLE:** Double-hung (1/1)

**PRIMARY ROOF FORM:** Gable

**PRIMARY ROOF MATERIAL:** Asphalt

**VISIBLE CHIMNEY:** Yes

**CHIMNEY MATERIAL:** Brick

### OTHER SIGNIFICANT ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES:

Original form, clapboard and shingle siding, and fenestration patterns remain largely intact.

### PROPERTY ADDRESS:

**427 Ford Street**

### PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN):

12-03-255-005



### LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE RATING:

- ☐ Significant
- ☒ Contributing
- ☐ Non-Contributing – Built After 1987
- ☐ Non-Contributing – Reversible Alterations
- ☐ Non-Contributing – Irreversible Alterations

### HISTORIC DISTRICT LOCATION:

- ☐ Central Geneva NRHD
- ☒ North Geneva NRHD
- ☒ Local Geneva HD
- ☐ Not in HD / Individual Historic Landmark

### NR DISTRICT SIGNIFICANCE RATING:

- ☒ Contributing
- ☐ Non-Contributing
- ☐ Not Applicable / Not in NR District



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## ADDITIONAL PROPERTY INFORMATION:

### BRIEF HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION:

The property was part of the Perry-Johnson property and—after 1869—a large barn was built on the lot.

In June 1966, the former Geneva Lutheran Parsonage—built in 1895—was moved from its original location at the southeast corner of Fourth and Hamilton streets. The house was purchased from William Gibbs, who intended to build a shoe store on the site (Griffin-Williams Law Firm in 2020). Robert Byers acquired the parsonage and hired Belding Movers of West Chicago, Illinois to Fifth and Ford streets. The orientation of the house on its new site remained the same as its orientation at its original site; the historic front facade faces north (the rear of the home in 2020).

Once relocated, the house was remodeled. The former front facade—with a recessed, first-floor porch below an open, second-floor porch—was remodeled. An enclosed porch was built above the former rear porch at the southeast corner of the building (evidenced by the historic eave crossing in front of a window at the second-floor porch). Later, a garage was constructed and connected to the house.

The property may be notable within a context of Swedish properties in Geneva.

### SOURCES:

GHPC Case Studies; GHM Archives; 2016 North Geneva NRHP Update; 1869 Bird's Eye View of Geneva; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps; Kane County Recorder's Office Land Records; Geneva, Illinois: A History of Its Times and Places; Geneva, Illinois



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## CONTRIBUTING ACCESSORY STRUCTURES:

### AS1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

n/a

### AS2 GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

n/a

## CONTRIBUTING LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

n/a

## HPC ACTION:

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Demolition Approved: n/a

### Other HPC Action:

n/a







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