The following exterior features of the St. Rose of Lima Rectory, 1111 North 8th Street, are among those protected by City Ordinance No. 9125 approved April 22, 2008:

- (1) East façade with three-story entrance tower projecting from the face of the structure and breaking the cornice above the second level. The tower gable is capped with stone coping. Double-windowed dormer centered above windows north of the entrance tower.
- (2) Projecting front gable including arched multi-paned wood window. Brick arch with stepped voussoirs and oversized dropped stone keystone. Wood panel with elaborate cartouche between second and third story windows has an elaborate applied cartouche.
- (3) Classically inspired front porch with wood Doric columns resting on brick bases. Entablature with dentil band and projecting cornice. Shallow mansard porch roof.
- (4) Stained glass transom window above front double doors. All stained glass transom windows.
- (5) All original windows, including first story windows with stained glass transom windows, wood sashes, transom bars with dentil bands, and stone sills.
- (6) Turret at southeast corner of the house. An attic fire sometime after 1900 destroyed the original conical turret roof.
 - (7) Foundation of square-necked, coursed limestone.
- (8) Continuous stone belt courses. Double-windowed dormer on south centered above second story double window.