The following exterior features of the John P. and Julia A. Arnold House, 1401 North 8th Street, are among those protected by City Ordinance No. 9201 approved December 28, 2011:

- (1) Two-story red brick Queen Anne style house with wood siding on attic gables.
- (2) Cross-gabled hipped roof with gables on east, west, north, and south facades.
 - (3) Gables on east and south have false half-timbering details.
- (4) Entrance gable supported by Queen Anne style columns and Tudor arches.
 - (5) Entrance door with transom above.
 - (6) Coursed limestone foundation.
- (7) All original windows with arched gauged brick lintels and all original windows with straight lintels (windows on first floor of east façade and attic windows).
- (8) Gable on the south façade cantilevered over a bay. Oversized brackets under the eaves.
 - (9) West wing with enclosed porch.
 - (10) Flared eaves and cornice returns.
 - (11) Continuous decorative molding below roofs and gables.
 - (12) Limestone window sills.