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City living on Cypress

187 Cypress Street

The South Wedge is the place to be. With its central location, variety of architectural styles and house sizes, tree-lined streets, and a vibrant commercial spine, it's easy to see why the neighborhood is in such demand. The Victorian-era home with Gothic Revival details at 187 Cypress Street sits right in the heart of the Wedge, just a block from South Avenue. Walk a few blocks and you can decorate your home (at Abode or Historic Houseparts); grab some groceries at Mise En Place or the newly relocated Abundance Cooperative Market; get a workout at Tru Yoga; get a haircut; or grab a bite and a drink at any number of local establishments (like Harry G's, ButaPub, Hedonist, Solera Wine Bar, to name just a few). The world at your fingertips, within an easy walk—this is what city living is all about.

Besides the location, the home at 187 Cypress St. offers rich historic character. At 1,908 square feet, it also has a generous amount of living space. The first thing you'll notice about the house is the wraparound porch, with Gothic Revival style detailing, and the striking, arched double wood doors that serve as the main entrance. This porch is just waiting for you to decorate it with plants and furniture and start lounging away the warm summer days.

Inside, there are four rooms, each of which could be used interchangeably as a family room, formal living room, office, playroom, or dining room. Grand archways with pocket doors and moldings separate these spaces. The space that currently serves as the main

living room boasts a wonderful pressed metal ceiling. Beyond the intended dining room, the modern kitchen has vaulted ceilings, a solid surface countertop, cherry cabinets, and a breakfast bar. A laundry room/bathroom combo rounds out the first floor.

A curving staircase leads to the second floor, where you'll find five good-sized bedrooms. Like the first floor, the plethora of rooms offers lots of flexibility for alternative uses like a home office, playroom, study, etc. Throughout both floors, wood floors (some original wide plank pine, some early 20th century updates), original moldings, and original doors with glass knobs add warmth and character.

Outside, the backyard, which is relatively small (read: low maintenance), has plenty of space for off-street parking as well as a charming historic two-car garage.

Overall, the home looks to be in great condition. Like most homes of its age, it has some quirks and could use some touch-ups here and there. With a little bit of TLC, its innate charm and character could really shine. 187 Cypress St. is listed for \$164,900 with Roxanne Stavropoulos of RE/MAX Plus. Contact Roxanne at 585-279-8087 to experience it for yourself.

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