

# **Confidential Inspection Report**

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## **Executive Summary**

This is a summary of the inspectors' findings during this inspection. However, it does not contain every detailed observation. This is provided as an additional service to our client, and is presented in the form of a listing of the items which, in the opinion of your inspector, merit further attention, investigation, or improvement. Some of these conditions are of such a nature as to require repair or modification by a skilled craftsman, technician, or specialist. Others can be easily handled by a homeowner such as yourself.

Often, following the inspector's advice will result in improved performance and/or extended life of the component(s) in question. In listing these items, the inspector is not offering any opinion as to who, among the parties to this transaction, should take responsibility for addressing any of these concerns. As with most of the facets of your transaction, we recommend consultation with your Real Estate Professional for further advice with regards to the following items:

For your convenience, the following keys have been used in this report (listed in order of precedent).

**Critical Concern:** Denotes an improvement recommendation that is uncommon for a building of this age or location and/or that needs immediate repair or replacement.

Warning: Denotes an observation or recommendation that is considered an immediate safety concern.

**Improve:** Denotes a typical improvement recommendation that is common for a building of this age and location that should be anticipated or budgeted for over the short term.

**Monitor:** Denotes an area where further investigation by a specialized licensed contractor and/or monitoring is needed. Repairs may be necessary or desired. During the inspection, there was insufficient information, or the observation was beyond the scope of the inspection. Improvements cannot be determined until further investigation or observations are made.

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#### **APPLIANCES RANGE**

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#### **APPLIANCES SMOKE DETECTORS**

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#### ROOFING OBSERVATIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS ROOFING SYSTEM SURFACE (SHINGLE)

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#### **EXTERIOR/SITE/GROUND GRADING**

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## **Introductory Notes**

#### SCOPE OF THE INSPECTION

The scope of this inspection is limited to reasonably accessible areas. We make no attempt to move furnishings, stored personal property, and/or vegetation. Although no problems are anticipated, removal of these items may reveal reportable items. This inspection is visual only. A representative sample of building components is viewed in areas that are accessible at the time of the inspection only. No destructive testing or dismantling of building components is performed.

Each mechanical system which conveys as part of the property and specifically listed as having been tested was observed to be in normal working condition at the time of inspection, unless one or more deficiencies for a particular system is reported. Latent defects may still exist, and evaluation of any system is limited by the conditions during the inspection and the scope defined by the International Society of Certified Inspectors (INTERNACHI) Standards of Practice.

It is the goal of the inspection to provide the homebuyer with pertinent information as to be in a better position to make a buying decision. Not all improvements will be identified during this inspection. Unexpected repairs should still be anticipated. The inspection should not be considered a guarantee or warranty of any kind.

Over the course of this inspection the temperature was estimated to be 74 F degrees.

#### **DIRECTION OF HOME**

For purposes of identification and reporting, the front of this building faces North.

Location of items within the report that are referred to as , i.e. left, right, front back, as viewed from the front yard.

## **Report Overview**

This is an average quality 15 year old home. As with all homes, ongoing maintenance is required and improvements to the systems of the home will be needed over time. The improvements that are recommended in this report are not considered unusual for a home of this age and location. Please remember that there is no such thing as a perfect home. It would be wise to consider a homeowner s warranty to protect the buyers from unexpected breakdown and failure.



## **Roofing System**

The roof system consists of surface materials, connections, penetrations and drainage (gutters and downspouts). A visual inspection will conducted for any damage and or deterioration to this system. If observations suggesting damage, improper application, or limited remaining service life, these will be noted. Observations stated herein concerning the roof are based on a limited visual inspection. These observations do not constitute a warranty or life expectancy of the current roofing system.

#### **Roofing Descriptions**

#### **ROOFING DESCRIPTIONS**

**Inspection Method:** Viewed With Drone **Roof Covering:** Asphalt Composition Shingle

Layers: Single Layer

Gutters/Downspouts: Discharge Above Grade

Flashings: Metal Valley, Metal Drip Edge, Metal Step and Counter, Rubbing Plumbing Vents

Chimney: None

#### **GENERAL COMMENT**

The roofing is considered to be in fair condition. The roofing is wearing at uneven rates. The sides of the roof that are most exposed to the sun's light are wearing more quickly than the more shaded areas. Repair or replacement of deteriorated roofing may be needed in some areas, prior to the entire roof covering requiring replacement.

## **Roofing Observations/Recommendations**

#### **SURFACE (SHINGLE)**

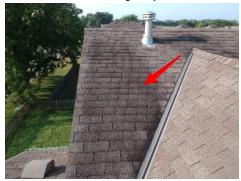
**Upgrade:** Loose and missing shingles were observed. All loose or missing shingles should be replaced.



**Upgrade:** Nail heads are exposed. Recommend sealing fasteners.



**Monitor:** The roofing is considered to be in fair condition. This roofing is wearing at uneven rates. The sides of the roof that are most exposed to the sun s light are wearing more quickly than the more shaded areas. Repair or replacement of deteriorated roofing may be needed in some areas, prior to the entire roof covering requiring replacement.



#### **FLUES**

**Upgrade:** The metal flue for servicing the water heater and or furnace is rusted. This should be painted to prevent further deterioration.



#### **GUTTERS**

Upgrade: Debris should be removed from gutters.



**Upgrade:** The gutters are leaking at some of the joints. Recommend the joints be repaired, patched and sealed.



#### **DOWNSPOUTS**

**Upgrade:** Downspouts that discharge onto the roof directly may affect the longevity of the shingles. Downspouts should be routed to the gutters directly.



**Upgrade:** Recommend diverting all downspouts 5 feet or further from the house.



**Upgrade:** The downspout rear right corner has been damaged. Replacement is recommended.



## Structure/Foundation

Structural elements of a building include foundation, footings, all lower support framing and components, wall framing and roof framing. These items are examined, where visible, for proper function, excessive or unusual wear and general state of repair. Many structural components are inaccessible due to being below grade or behind finishes. Therefore, much of the structural inspection is performed by identifying resultant symptoms of movement, damage and deterioration. Where there are no visible symptoms, conditions requiring further review or repair may go undetected and identification will not be possible. This inspection makes no representations as to the internal conditions or stabilities of soils, concrete footings and foundations, except as exhibited by their performance.

#### STRUCTURE DESCRIPTIONS

Roofing Structure: Rafters

**Basement Configuration:** Poured Concrete

Floor Structure: Wood Joist Floor Structure: Steel I-Beam Flooring Material: OSB

Columns: Steel

Wall Construction: Wood frame

#### STRUCTURAL GENERAL STATEMENT

All the visible structural elements appear to be in generally good condition and are performing as would be expected for a building of this age and type of construction.

#### **FOUNDATION**

**Monitor:** It should be noted that this home is located in an area known for expansive soils. The properties of such soils may affect the performance of the structure over time. The rate of movement, if any, cannot be predicted by a one-time visual inspection.

**Monitor:** Prior repairs were noted to the foundation. It may be wise to consult the seller as to when and what repairs became necessary.



#### **BASEMENT LEAKAGE**

Efflorescence (white chalky discoloration) often indicates an occasional surplus of moisture on the outside of the slab. Steps should be taken to improve the exterior drainage, but no other action is indicated at this time.



#### **WDI OBSERVATIONS**

Though no wood boring insects were observed; this home is situated in an area known for wood destroying insect activity. Wood destroying insects can do a substantial amount of damage to the wood structural components of a home. Several steps can be taken to reduce the risk of a wood destroying insect problem. Any form of wood/soil contact should be avoided. Controlling dampness in the soil around the perimeter of a home, including below porches and in crawl spaces, is recommended. Preventive chemical treatment, performed by a licensed pest control specialist, is also advisable.

## Exterior/Site/Ground

#### **EXTERIOR DESCRIPTIONS**

Wall Cladding: Stucco, Composite Siding, Stone

Window Frames: Metal Driveway: Concrete Walkway: Concrete Patio: Concrete

#### **GENERAL COMMENT**

As preventive maintenance, caulking and sealing the gaps in the exterior of the building around the doors, windows, plumbing and electrical entry points will help prevent heat loss, cold air infiltration and moisture entry.

#### WALL CLADDING/SIDING

**Upgrade:** Exposed portions of the exterior are weathering. To maximize the life of the surfaces, caulking and repainting is recommended.

**Upgrade:** Damaged siding should be repaired or replaced as needed.



**Monitor:** Stucco was observed at the front wall. Not only is proper installation technique critical to the performance of this material, but ongoing maintenance is necessary. All openings at connection points, around windows and doors, and areas where the stucco abuts wood trim and/or a veneer should be monitored and kept appropriately sealed.

#### **TRIM**

**Upgrade:** There are openings at seams and joints of the trim in various locations on the exterior. Recommend re-caulking and sealing to prevent moisture entry and damage.



#### **WINDOWS**

**Upgrade:** The window frames require painting and caulking.



**FASCIA** 

**Upgrade:** Sections of the fascia at the front wall show signs of rot.



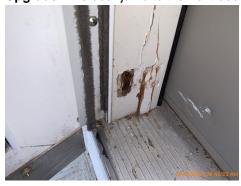
## **FLASHING**

**Upgrade:** Flashing should be caulked at left side of the house.



## **DOORS**

**Upgrade:** The door jamb to the front door is damaged. Recommend it be repaired or replaced as necessary.



#### **BALCONY/PORCH**

**Monitor:** The porch columns are weathered and should be stained or painted.



#### **WALKWAYS**

**Upgrade:** The walkway at the front door has settled in relation to the front porch.



#### **FENCING**

Upgrade: The fencing is generally serviceable but shows signs of routine wear and is in need of minor maintenance.



#### **LANDSCAPING**

**Upgrade:** Vegetation growing on or within 6 inches of exterior walls should be kept trimmed away from siding, window trims, and the eaves.



#### **GRADING**

Upgrade: Sump discharge should be extended ten feet or further from the house.



#### **GARAGE**

Warning: The garage door operator did not automatically reverse under resistance to closing, although the laser reverse did function properly. There is a serious risk of injury, particularly to children, under this condition. Improvement may be as simple as adjusting the sensitivity control on the operator. This should be dealt with immediately.

## **Cooling System**

The air conditioning system consists of the cooling equipment operating and safety controls and a means of distribution. These items are visually examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear, and general state of repair. Air conditioning systems are not tested if the outside temperature is too cold for proper operation. Detailed testing of the components of the cooling equipment or predicting their life expectancy requires special equipment and training and is beyond the scope of this inspection. This is a non-evasive, basic function review only. Dismantling, uncovering or calculating the efficiency of the system is beyond the scope of this inspection. Regular servicing and inspection of cooling systems is recommended.

#### **COOLING DESCRIPTIONS**

System Type: 120/240 Air Cooled Air Conditioner

Manufacturer: Concord

Model #: 4AC13L36P7A Serial#: 1914F61163 Manufacturing Date: 06/2014 Refrigerant: R-410A

Supply/Return: 18F Degrees

Distribution Method: Rigid and Insulated Ducts

#### **GENERAL COMMENT**

The inspection of the central air conditioning is limited to visible components and their basic functions. A full evaluation requires extensive testing and is beyond the scope of our inspection.

The air conditioning is 7 years old. Recommend routine maintenance on a yearly basis. It would be wise to consider a homeowner s warranty to protect the buyers from unexpected breakdown and failure.

#### **AIR CONDITIONER**

**Upgrade:** The air conditioning system requires servicing. There is no evidence that there has been a servicing of the equipment since it was installed. It would be advisable to inquire with the existing homeowner as to its last servicing. If it has been longer than twelve (12) months than the system needs to be checked by a qualified HVAC technician.

**Upgrade:** Damaged insulation on refrigerant lines should be repaired.



**Upgrade:** Fins on the unit require cleaning.



Upgrade: Recommend vegetation be cut back to provide three feet of clearance from the unit.





## **Heating System**

The heating system consists of the heating equipment, operating and safety controls, venting and the means of distribution. These items are visually examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear and general state of repair. This is a non-evasive, basic function review only. Dismantling, uncovering or calculating the efficiency of the system is beyond the scope of this inspection. Regular servicing and inspection of heating systems is recommended.

#### **Heating System**

**HEATING DESCRIPTION** 

Heating System Type: Forced Air

**Energy Source:** Gas

Venting: Metal B-Vent, Insulated Flue

Manufacturer: Lennox

Model #: G4OUH36B09015 Serial #: 5906K02961 Manufacturing Date: 10/2006 Filter Size: 18X25X1

#### **GENERAL COMMENT**

The inspection of the heating system is non-invasive and is limited to visible components and their basic function. A full evaluation requires extensive testing and is beyond the scope of our inspection.

The heating system is middle aged. The furnace responded to normal operating controls. Recommend routine maintenance on a yearly basis. It would be wise to consider a homeowner s warranty to protect the buyers from unexpected breakdown and failure.

#### **FURNACE**

**Upgrade**: The heating system requires servicing. There is no evidence of recent servicing of the equipment. It would be advisable to inquire with the existing homeowner as to its last servicing. If it has been longer than twelve (12) months than it is wise to engage a qualified HVAC technician to service and check the system.

Upgrade: The air filter is dirty and should be replaced.



**Upgrade:** The air filter for the supply air has been inserted backwards. The air flow arrow should point towards the furnace unit.



Monitor: Some evidence of prior condensate leakage was noted on the unit. This condition requires close monitoring.



**VENT** 

**Upgrade:** Recommend a HVAC technician be consulted. Foam being used is inadequate in sealing ductwork.



**Upgrade**: The skirt over the flashing for the exhaust flue should be caulked to prevent further water streaking down the outer skin of the flue in the attic.



## **Electrical System**

An electrical system consists of the service, distribution, wiring and convenience outlets (switches, lights, and receptacles). The inspection of the electrical system includes exposed and accessible conductors, branch circuitry, panels, overcurrent protection devices, and a random sampling of convenience outlets. Observations for adverse conditions such as improper installation, exposed wiring, running splices, reversed polarity and circuit protection devices will be noted in the inspection report. Evaluation of fusing and/or calculating circuit loads is beyond the scope of the inspection.

#### **ELECTRICAL DESCRIPTIONS**

Service Entry: Underground, Aluminum

Capacity: 120/240 Volt Main Service-Service Size: 200 Amps

**Grounding:** Water Supply Piping, Copper **Main Disconnect:** Circuit Breakers

Wiring Material: Copper Receptacles: Grounded

Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters: Exterior, Kitchen, Bathroom, Garage, Basement, Jacuzzi Tub

Arc Fault Circuit Interrupters: Bedrooms

#### **GENERAL COMMENT**

The electrical system is in good condition and the components are properly installed. No unsafe conditions were observed in the readily accessible portions of the installation.

#### **SWITCHES**

Warning: It was observed during the course of the inspection a light switch in close proximity to the shower in the jack and Jill bathroom. If there is a short within the switch this could lead to shock hazard if in the shower. This should be improved for safety reasons.



**Upgrade:** Switch plates are missing in the basement storage room. Recommend cover plates to reduce the risk of electrical shorts and hazardous shocks.



#### **LIGHT FIXTURES**

**Upgrade**: Light in the master bedroom was not working at the time of the inspection. The bulbs may have burned out. Where bulbs are not the problem, the condition of the fixtures and/or wiring should be verified.



**Upgrade**: The current bulbs in the can lighting system may not be suitable for the fixture. Bulbs appropriate for fixtures should be used.



**Monitor:** Recessed light fixtures (sometimes referred to as pot lights) that are installed in insulated ceilings can represent a fire hazard if they are not suitably rated for this application. Unfortunately, it is difficult to verify that the installation has been made safely, during a home inspection. It is recommended that a licensed electrician be engaged to verify the safety of the system.

#### **GFI PROTECTION**

**Upgrade**: A ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) outlet did not respond correctly to testing during the inspection in the areas GFCI's are located. These receptacles should be replaced.



#### **AFCI PROTECTION**

Arc fault protection devices were observed to be installed in sleeping quarters and/or other rooms.

## **Plumbing System**

The plumbing system consists of the domestic water supply lines, drain, waste and vent lines and gas lines. Inspection of the plumbing system is limited to visible faucets, fixtures, valves, drains, traps, exposed pipes and fittings. These items are examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear, leakage, and general state of repair. The hidden nature of piping prevents inspection of every pipe and joint. A sewer lateral test, necessary to determine the condition of the underground sewer lines, is beyond the scope of this inspection. If desired, a qualified individual could be retained for such a test. Inspection of the plumbing system does not include landscape watering, fire suppression systems, private water supply/waste disposal systems, or recalled plumbing supplies. If the buyer is wanting those specifically above mentioned reviewed one should consider consulting with a certified plumber.

#### **PLUMBING DESRIPTIONS**

Main Shut Off: Front Wall of Basement Service Pipe To House: Copper

Water Heater Manufacturer: Bradford White

Model #: MI5036FBN Serial#: DF9279752 Manufacturing Date: 06/2007

**Capacity:** 50 Gallons **Energy Source:** Gas

Gas Shutoff Location: At Meter Supply Piping: Copper, Pex

Waste Piping: PVC

Other Components: Pressure Regulator Valve, Jacuzzi Tub, Sump Pump

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

The plumbing system is showing signs of age. Updating the system will be required over time. The plumbing fixtures are older. Upgrading fixtures would be a logical long-term improvement. In the interim, a higher level of maintenance will likely be required. A licensed plumbing contractor should be consulted to undertake the improvements recommended below.

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**Upgrade:** The Temperature and Pressure Relief (TPR) Valve serving the water heater is leaking slightly. Minor repairs or cleaning can usually rectify this condition.



Monitor: The water heater shows evidence of prior leakage. This should be carefully monitored.



**Monitor** Water Heater is an older unit. Typically water heaters last between. 7-12 years. One cannot predict when or if the water heater may need to replaced. One may want to budget for one for the future.

#### **GAS PIPING**

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**FIXTURES Upgrade:** The hose bib at rear wall is damaged.



**Upgrade:** Due to ejection of mold or other organic growth from the jets during operation, it is recommended the whirlpool bath be professionally cleaned and sanitized.



**Upgrade:** The sink drain stopper is missing in the master bathroom.

**Upgrade:** Cracked, deteriorated caulking missing around bathtub. Caulking should be replaced.



**Upgrade:** Caulking is needed around the shower controls. This will aid in preventing water intrusion into the walls.



**Upgrade:** Missing caulk along the top edge of the shower tile enclosure should be replaced.



**Upgrade:** Cracked, deteriorated and/or missing shower stall grout and caulk should be replaced.





#### Interior

The inspection of the interior includes inspection of walls, ceilings, floors, doors, windows, steps, stairways, balconies and railings. These features are visually examined for proper function, excessive wear and general state of repair. Some of these components may not be visible/accessible because of furnishings and/or storage. In such cases these items are not inspected.

INTERIOR DESCRIPTION
Ceiling Material: Drywall
Wall Material: Drywall
Interior Doors: Hollow Core

**Finished Flooring:** Wood, Carpet, Tile **Fireplace:** Zero Clearance, Gas

#### **GENERAL COMMENT**

General Condition of Interior Finishes

On the whole, the interior finishes of the home are considered to be in average condition. Typical flaws were observed in some areas.

General Condition of Windows and Doors

The majority of windows and doors throughout the house are considered to be average quality.

**General Condition of Floors** 

The floors of the home are relatively level and walls are relatively plumb.

#### **WALLS & CEILINGS**

Upgrade: Drywall flaws were observed.

Upgrade: Damage to the interior finish was observed.





Monitor: Water staining was noted in the kitchen. The stain tested dry with a moisture meter at the time of inspection.







**FLOORS Upgrade:** The tile floor is cracked in the powder room.



**Monitor:** The floor is squeaky in various locations.

TRIM

**Upgrade:** The trim is damaged.



**Upgrade:** Trim should be caulked in various locations.



#### **CABINETRY**

**Upgrade:** Loose hinges for the bathroom cabinets should be improved.



#### **DOORS**

Upgrade: The bullet catch hardware is damaged or missing on the doors at the following locations: .



**Upgrade:** The bottom of the doors should be trimmed to end approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$ " above the carpet pile. This will promote better air flow in the room when the door is closed and reduce stress on the hinges during operation.

Upgrade: The installation of door stoppers will help in reducing damage to interior finishes.



#### **WINDOWS**

**Upgrade:** The inside frames of the windows require caulking in various locations.



**Upgrade:** The operation of the window in the kitchen is rough. Recommend it be cleaned, lubricated, and adjusted for smoother operation.



**Upgrade:** Water stains were observed on some of the window sills. Sealing or painting windows to protect against the elements is recommended.



Upgrade: Window tilt latch hardware is damaged.



#### **STAIRS**

Warning: The baluster servicing the stairs to the second floor is loose and should be repaired for safety reasons.



WRN: Warning: The loose handrail should be better secured.







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#### **INTERIOR LIMITATIONS**

As prescribed in the inspection authorization and agreement, this is a visual inspection only. Assessing the quality and condition of interior finishes is highly subjective. Issues such as cleanliness, cosmetic flaws, quality of materials, architectural appeal and color are outside the scope of this inspection. Comments will be general, except where functional concerns exist. No comment is offered on the extent of cosmetic repairs that may be needed after removal of existing wall hangings and furniture. The inspection of the interior was limited by (but not restricted to) the following conditions:

<sup>\*</sup> Portions of the foundation walls were concealed from view during the course of the inspection.

## Attic/Insulation

The attic contains the roof framing and serves as a raceway for components of the mechanical systems. There are often heating ducts, electrical wiring and appliance vents in the attic. A visual inspection of the attic components for proper function, excessive or unusual wear, general state of repair, leakage, venting and misguided improvements. Walking in an unfinished attic can result in damage to the insulation and ceiling. Inspection from the access hatch or opening maybe conducted if excessive insulation or storage is observed.

## ATTIC DESCRIPTION Roof Support: Rafters

Sheathing: OSB

Insulation: R30-Value 10-12 of Insulation

**Ventilation:** Soffit, Roof Vents **Attic Viewed:** From Hatch

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

Insulation levels are above average for a home of this age and construction. The roof and interior ventilation systems that are in place are sufficient for a home of this age and configuration. In addition to the insulation levels caulking and weather-stripping around doors, windows and other exterior wall openings may improve overall weather tightness and reduce energy costs.

#### **ATTIC INSULATION**

**Monitor:** The level of insulation would appear to provide an R-30 insulating value. This provides very good resistance to heat transfer by present standards.

#### **VENTILATION OBSERVATIONS**

**Upgrade:** The duct from the bathroom exhaust fan does not go to the exterior. This condition allows excessive moisture to be vented into the attic. We recommend this deficiency be corrected.

## **Appliances**

#### **BASIC INFORMATION**

**Appliances Tested:** Dishwasher, Garbage Disposal, Electric Range, Refrigerator, Microwave **Laundry Facility:** 240 Volt Circuit for Dryer; 120 Volt Circuit for Washer; Waste Standpipe for Washer

Other Components Tested: Door Bell, Smoke Detectors, Micro-Exhaust Hood and Fan

#### **GENERAL COMMENT**

All appliances were tested using normal operating controls and were found to be in satisfactory working condition. One may consider a home warranty to reduce risk of unwanted repairs or replacement of an appliance.

#### **RANGE**

WRN: Warning: A anti-tip bracket should be installed on the range.

**Upgrade:** The oven should be leveled or stabilized.

#### **GARAGE DISPOSAL**

**Upgrade:** The splash guard for the waste disposer is damaged.



#### **DISHWASHER**

**Upgrade:** For proper operation, the dishwasher waste line should loop above or higher than the connection point under the sink.



**Upgrade:** The dishwasher should be leveled for proper operation.

**Upgrade:** The dishwasher racks/rollers are in less than ideal condition.



**Upgrade:** Dishwasher start button is damaged.



**Upgrade:** Dishwasher should be better secured to the countertop or cabinets.

**Monitor:** The dishwasher appears to be an older unit. While replacing is needed, one may want to budget for a new dishwasher for the future. One may experience a higher level of maintenance needed for the current unit in place.

#### **SMOKE DETECTORS**

**Upgrade:** Smoke Detector is missing in the upper hallway. Recommend installing missing smoke detector.

