ISSUE:	Certificate of Appropriateness for modifications
APPLICANT:	Chris Clark
LOCATION:	Old and Historic Alexandria District 309 Duke Street
ZONE:	RM/Residential Townhouse Zone

# **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

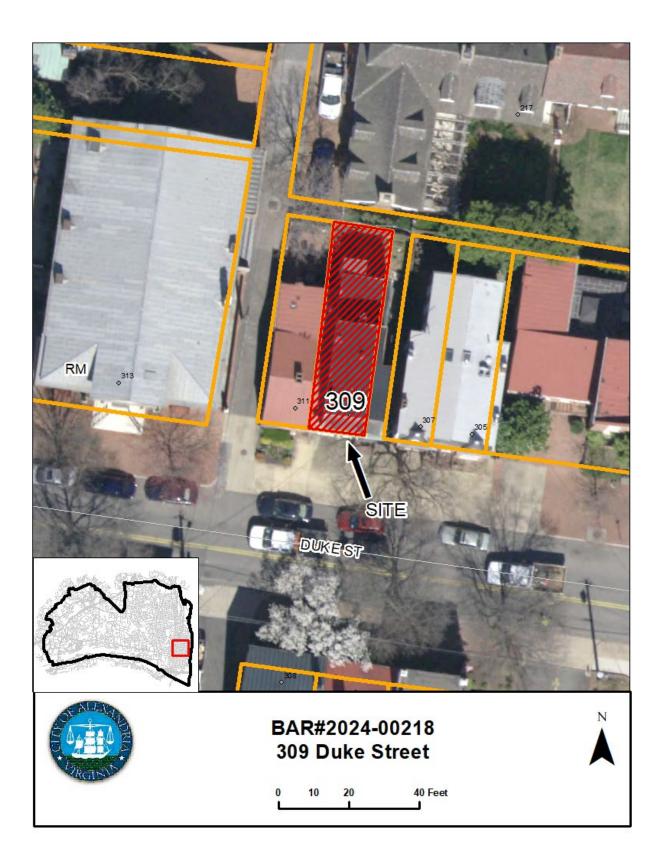
Staff recommends approval of the Certificate of Appropriateness for modifications with the following conditions:

Call Alexandria Archaeology immediately (703-746-4399) if any buried structural remains (wall foundations, wells, privies, cisterns, etc.) or concentrations of artifacts are discovered during development. Work must cease in the area of the discovery until a City archaeologist comes to the site and records the finds. The language noted above shall be included on all final site plan sheets involving any ground disturbing activities.

The applicant shall not allow any metal detection and/or artifact collection to be conducted on the property, or allow independent parties to collect or excavate artifacts, unless authorized by Alexandria Archaeology. Failure to comply shall result in project delays. The language noted above shall be included on all final site plan sheets involving any ground disturbing activities.

### **GENERAL NOTES TO THE APPLICANT**

- 1. APPEAL OF DECISION: In accordance with the Zoning Ordinance, if the Board of Architectural Review denies or approves an application in whole or in part, the applicant or opponent may appeal the Board's decision to City Council on or before 14 days after the decision of the Board.
- 2. COMPLIANCE WITH BAR POLICIES: All materials must comply with the BAR's adopted policies unless otherwise specifically approved.
- 3. BUILDING PERMITS: Most projects approved by the Board of Architectural Review require the issuance of one or more construction permits by Department of Code Administration (<u>including signs</u>). The applicant is responsible for obtaining all necessary construction permits after receiving Board of Architectural Review approval. Contact Code Administration, Permit Center, 4850 Mark Center Drive, Suite 2015, 703-746-4200 for further information.
- 4. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS AND PERMITS TO DEMOLISH: Applicants must obtain a copy of the Certificate of Appropriateness or Permit to Demolish PRIOR to applying for a building permit. Contact BAR Staff, Room 2100, City Hall, 703-746-3833, or preservation@alexandriava.gov for further information.
- 5. EXPIRATION OF APPROVALS NOTE: In accordance with Sections 10-106(B), 10-206(B) and 10-307 of the Zoning Ordinance, any Board of Architectural Review approval will expire 12 months from the date of issuance if the work is not commenced and diligently and substantially pursued by the end of that 12-month period.
- HISTORIC PROPERTY TAX CREDITS: Applicants performing extensive, certified rehabilitations of historic properties may separately be eligible for state and/or federal tax credits. Consult with the <u>Virginia</u> <u>Department of Historic Resources (VDHR)</u> prior to initiating any work to determine whether the proposed project may qualify for such credits.



# I. <u>APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL</u>

The applicant requests a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace a collapsed masonry wall with a wood frame wall with fiber cement siding and trim, at 309 Duke Street.

## Site context

The alley to the east, adjacent to the property, and the alley to the north, behind the subject property, are both private. Another alley which runs north/south on the west side of 311 Duke is also private. Therefore, only a small portion of the proposed addition will be visible from a public right of way.

# II. <u>HISTORY</u>

Based on historic maps, 309 Duke was constructed at some point between **1877 and 1885**. It does not appear on the 1877 G.M. Hopkins Atlas of Alexandria, VA and it does appear on the 1885 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map. The Sanborn Map depicts it as a two-story brick dwelling with a rear two-story brick ell and slate or metal roofing.

In December of 2023, the east elevation of the rear ell completely collapsed and permit BLDR2023-01236 was issued for emergency shoring and select demolition to make the building safe. See Figure 1.

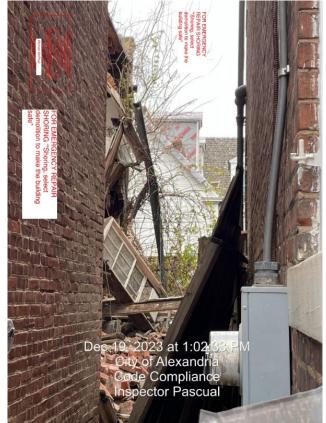


Figure 1: Ell east elevation post collapse; main block in foreground on left.

*Previous BAR Approvals* April 7, 1994, BAR 94-32: Approval to demolish a porch façade and the construction of a new exterior wall.

September 6, 1972, Permit #29418: Hammer down standing seams in existing tin roof. Apply new built up roof over existing. Surface with flood coat of hot asphalt. Apply black 240# shingles on rear porch roof; remove old tin roof. New copper gutters and downspouts. Staff notes that while this is not a BAR approval, it indicates important changes to the building. Staff found no record of BAR approval for this work.

# III. <u>ANALYSIS</u>

The *BAR Policies for Administrative Approval* say that "Buildings and additions constructed after 1931 may use fiber cement (e.g. HardiePlank) or composite (e.g. Boral) siding and trim with an architecturally appropriate profile, provided it has a smooth finish." Because this is a brand-new wall, fiber cement is permitted, and it will have a smooth finish as required.

Per the *Design Guidelines*, "Composition board siding may be approved in certain instances where there is minimal visibility from the public way." As seen in the first-floor plan illustrated in Figure 2 and the photo in Figure 3, the proposed smooth Hardie Plank siding will be minimally visible. Figures 2 and 3 also illustrate that the new door and windows will not be visible from the street; therefore the applicant may use any type of glazing for the proposed wood windows and door.

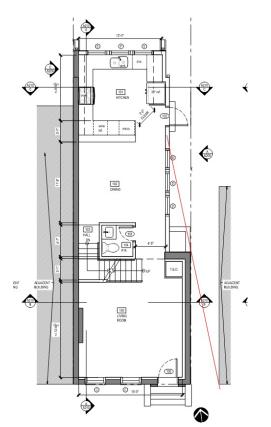


Figure 2: First floor plan, sight line from sidewalk in red



Figure 3: view from Duke Street sidewalk

Staff therefore recommends approval of the project, including the recommendations of Alexandria Archaeology.

# **STAFF**

Susan Hellman, Historic Preservation Planner, Planning & Zoning Tony LaColla, AICP, Land Use Services Division Chief, Planning & Zoning

# **CITY DEPARTMENT COMMENTS**

Legend: C- code requirement R- recommendation S- suggestion F- finding

# <u>Zoning</u>

C-1 Proposed masonry wall replacement will comply with zoning.

F-1 The rear setback for the RM Zoning district is 16' minimum and a setback ratio of 1:1.

F-2 The structure on 309 Duke St has a rear setback of 7.7' and therefore is a non-complying wall.

# **Code Administration**

C-1 A building permit is required, Fire protection rated wall is required within 5ft to the property.

# **Transportation and Environmental Services**

- R-1 The building permit must be approved and issued prior to the issuance of any permit for demolition, if a separate demolition permit is required. (T&ES)
- R-2 The applicant shall be responsible for repairs to the adjacent city right-of-way if damaged during construction activity. (T&ES)
- R-3 No permanent structure may be constructed over any existing private and/or public utility easements. It is the responsibility of the applicant to identify any and all existing easements on the plan. (T&ES)
- F-1 After review of the information provided, an approved grading plan is not required at this time. Please note that if any changes are made to the plan it is suggested that T&ES be included in the review. (T&ES)
- F-2 If the alley located at the rear of the parcel is to be used at any point of the construction process the following will be required:
  For a Public Alley The applicant shall contact T&ES, Construction Permitting & Inspections at (703) 746-4035 to discuss any permits and accommodation requirements that will be required.
  For a Private Alley The applicant must provide proof, in the form of an affidavit at a minimum, from owner of the alley granting permission of use. (T&ES)
- C-1 The applicant shall comply with the City of Alexandria's Solid Waste Control, Title 5,

Chapter 1, which sets forth the requirements for the recycling of materials (Sec. 5-1-99). (T&ES)

- C-2 The applicant shall comply with the City of Alexandria's Noise Control Code, Title 11, Chapter 5, which sets the maximum permissible noise level as measured at the property line. (T&ES)
- C-3 Roof, surface and sub-surface drains be connected to the public storm sewer system, if available, by continuous underground pipe. Where storm sewer is not available applicant must provide a design to mitigate impact of stormwater drainage onto adjacent properties and to the satisfaction of the Director of Transportation & Environmental Services. (Sec.5-6-224) (T&ES)
- C-4 All secondary utilities serving this site shall be placed underground. (Sec. 5-3-3) (T&ES)
- C-5 Any work within the right-of-way requires a separate permit from T&ES. (Sec. 5-2) (T&ES)
- C-6 All improvements to the city right-of-way such as curbing, sidewalk, driveway aprons, etc. must be city standard design. (Sec. 5-2-1) (T&ES)

# Alexandria Archaeology

- C-1 Call Alexandria Archaeology immediately (703-746-4399) if any buried structural remains (wall foundations, wells, privies, cisterns, etc.) or concentrations of artifacts are discovered during development. Work must cease in the area of the discovery until a City archaeologist comes to the site and records the finds. The language noted above shall be included on all final site plan sheets involving any ground disturbing activities. (Archaeology)
- C-2 The applicant shall not allow any metal detection and/or artifact collection to be conducted the property, <u>or allow independent parties to collect or excavate artifacts</u>, unless authorized by Alexandria Archaeology. Failure to comply shall result in project delays. The language noted above shall be included on all final site plan sheets involving any ground disturbing activities. (Archaeology)
- F-1 Based on historic maps, the property appears to have been vacant until the latter nineteenth century when the current dwelling was built on the lot. The property may contain archaeological evidence of late nineteenth century development of Alexandria.

# V. <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>

1 – Application Materials

- Completed application
- Plans
- Material specifications
- Scaled survey plat if applicable

• Photographs

2 – Supplemental Materials

- Public comment, if applicable
- Any other supporting documentation

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Address: 280	4 Woodlawn Ave.						
City: Falls	S Church	State:	Zip: 2204	2			
Phone: 571-2	271-9702	E-mail :	is@summithome	esdc.com			
Authorized A	gent (if applicable):	Attorney	Architect				
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NAT	<b>FURE OF PROPOSED WORK:</b> Please check all that apply
	NEW CONSTRUCTION EXTERIOR ALTERATION: Please check all that apply. awning fence, gate or garden wall HVAC equipment shutters doors windows siding shed lighting pergola/trellis painting unpainted masonry other replacement of collapsed side wall ADDITION DEMOLITION/ENCAPSULATION SIGNAGE
	<b>SCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK:</b> Please describe the proposed work in detail (Additional pages may ttached).
-Repl	acement of collapsed solid masonry wall with wood frame wall with fiber cement siding and trim. Wall to have new wood windows and new wood side door.

### SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS:

Check this box if there is a homeowner's association for this property. If so, you must attach a copy of the letter approving the project.

Items listed below comprise the **minimum supporting materials** for BAR applications. Staff may request additional information during application review. Please refer to the relevant section of the *Design Guidelines* for further information on appropriate treatments.

Applicants must use the checklist below to ensure the application is complete. Include all information and material that are necessary to thoroughly describe the project. Incomplete applications will delay the docketing of the application for review. Pre-application meetings are required for all proposed additions. All applicants are encouraged to meet with staff prior to submission of a completed application.

Demolition/Encapsulation : All applicants requesting 25 square feet or more of demolition/encapsulatior
must complete this section. Check N/A if an item in this section does not apply to your project.

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- Survey plat showing the extent of the proposed demolition/encapsulation.
- Existing elevation drawings clearly showing all elements proposed for demolition/encapsulation.
- Clear and labeled photographs of all elevations of the building if the entire structure is proposed to be demolished.
- Description of the reason for demolition/encapsulation.
- Description of the alternatives to demolition/encapsulation and why such alternatives are not considered feasible.

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Additions & New Construction: Drawings must be to scale and should not exceed 11" x 17" unless approved by staff. Check N/A if an item in this section does not apply to your project.

N/A	
	Scaled survey plat showing dimensions of lot and location of existing building and other
	structures on the lot, location of proposed structure or addition, dimensions of existing
	structure(s), proposed addition or new construction, and all exterior, ground and roof mounted
	equipment.

FAR & Open Space calculation form.

	Clear and labeled phot	ographs of the site	, surrounding properties	and existing structures,	if
	applicable.				

- Existing elevations must be scaled and include dimensions.
- Proposed elevations must be scaled and include dimensions. Include the relationship to adjacent structures in plan and elevations.
- Materials and colors to be used must be specified and delineated on the drawings. Actual samples may be provided or required.
- Manufacturer's specifications for materials to include, but not limited to: roofing, siding, windows, doors, lighting, fencing, HVAC equipment and walls.
- For development site plan projects, a model showing mass relationships to adjacent properties and structures.

**Signs & Awnings:** One sign per building under one square foot does not require BAR approval unless illuminated. All other signs including window signs require BAR approval. Check N/A if an item in this section does not apply to your project.

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Alterations: Check N/A if an item in this section does not apply to your project.

N/A	Clear and labeled photographs of the site, especially the area being impacted by the alterations, all sides of the building and any pertinent details.
	Manufacturer's specifications for materials to include, but not limited to: roofing, siding, windows,
	doors, lighting, fencing, HVAC equipment and walls.
	Drawings accurately representing the changes to the proposed structure, including materials and overall dimensions. Drawings must be to scale.
Ц	An official survey plat showing the proposed locations of HVAC units, fences, and sheds.
	Historic elevations or photographs should accompany any request to return a structure to an
	earlier appearance.

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ALL APPLICATIONS: Please read and check that you have read and understand the following items:

- I understand that after reviewing the proposed alterations, BAR staff will invoice the appropriate filing fee in APEX. The application will not be processed until the fee is paid online.
- X I understand the notice requirements and will return a copy of the three respective notice forms to BAR staff at least five days prior to the hearing. If I am unsure to whom I should send notice I will contact Planning and Zoning staff for assistance in identifying adjacent parcels.
- I, the applicant, or an authorized representative will be present at the public hearing.
- I understand that any revisions to this initial application submission (including applications deferred for restudy) must be accompanied by the BAR Supplemental form and revised materials.

The undersigned hereby attests that all of the information herein provided including the site plan, building elevations, prospective drawings of the project, and written descriptive information are true, correct and accurate. The undersigned further understands that, should such information be found incorrect, any action taken by the Board based on such information may be invalidated. The undersigned also hereby grants the City of Alexandria permission to post placard notice as required by Article XI, Division A, Section 11-301(B) of the 1992 Alexandria City Zoning Ordinance, on the property which is the subject of this application. The undersigned also hereby authorizes the City staff and members of the BAR to inspect this site as necessary in the course of research and evaluating the application. The applicant, if other than the property owner, also attests that he/she has obtained permission from the property owner to make this application.

## **APPLICANT OR AUTHORIZED AGENT:**

Signatu	Signature:				
·		Chris Clark			
Date: 5/29/20					

### OWNERSHIP AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Use additional sheets if necessary

<u>1. Applicant.</u> State the name, address and percent of ownership of any person or entity owning an interest in the applicant, unless the entity is a corporation or partnership, in which case identify each owner of more than three percent. The term ownership interest shall include any legal or equitable interest held at the time of the application in the real property which is the subject of the application.

Name	Address	Percent of Ownership
<sup>1.</sup> Chris Clark	2200 Wilson Blvd. #102-128, Arlington, VA 22201	50%
<sup>2.</sup> Elmar von Grolman	PO Box 4093 Merrifield, VA 22116	25%
<sup>3.</sup> Tingting Chen	PO Box 4093 Merrifield, VA 22116	25%

<u>2.</u> <u>Property.</u> State the name, address and percent of ownership of any person or entity owning an interest in the property located at <u>309 Duke St.</u> (address), unless the entity is a corporation or partnership, in which case identify each owner of more than three percent. The term ownership interest shall include any legal or equitable interest held at the time of the application in the real property which is the subject of the application.

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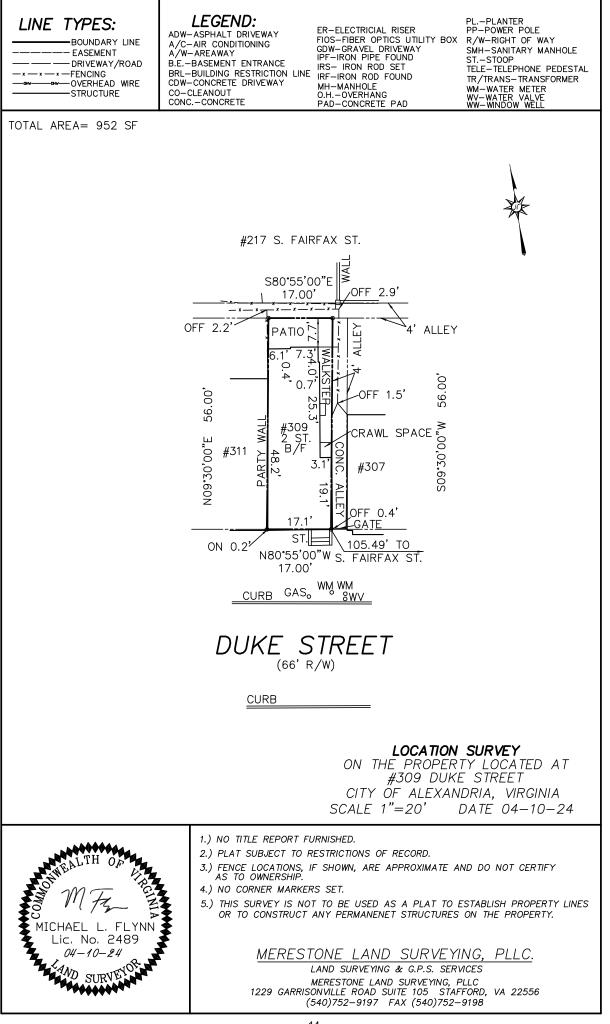
3. <u>Business or Financial Relationships.</u> Each person or entity listed above (1 and 2), with an ownership interest in the applicant or in the subject property is required to disclose **any** business or financial relationship, as defined by Section 11-350 of the Zoning Ordinance, existing at the time of this application, or within the12-month period prior to the submission of this application with any member of the Alexandria City Council, Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals or either Boards of Architectural Review.

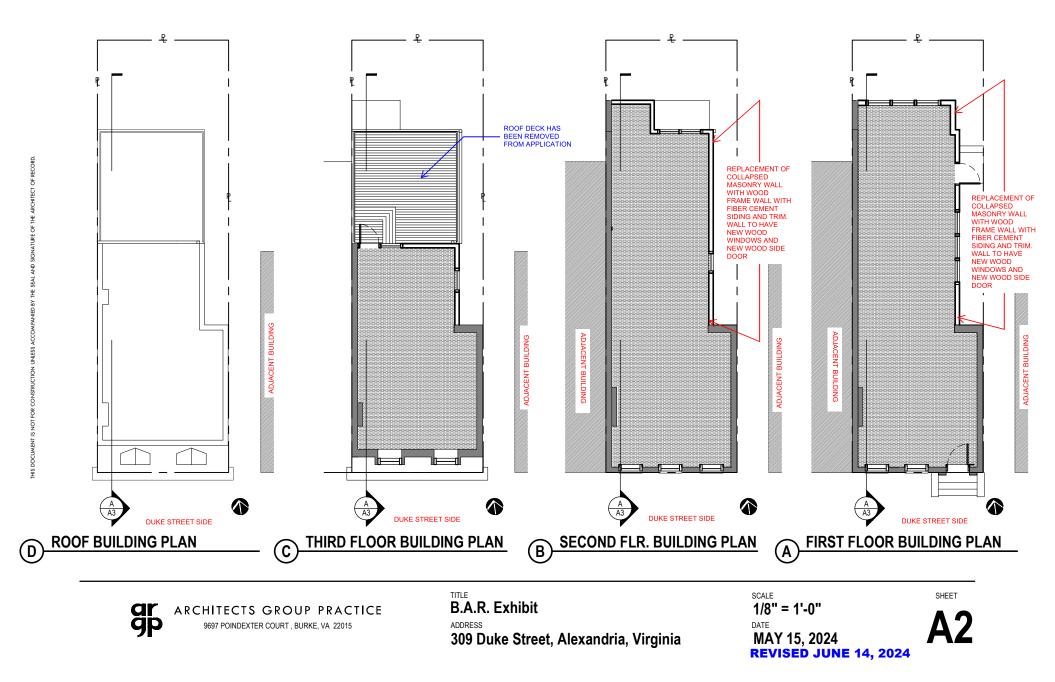
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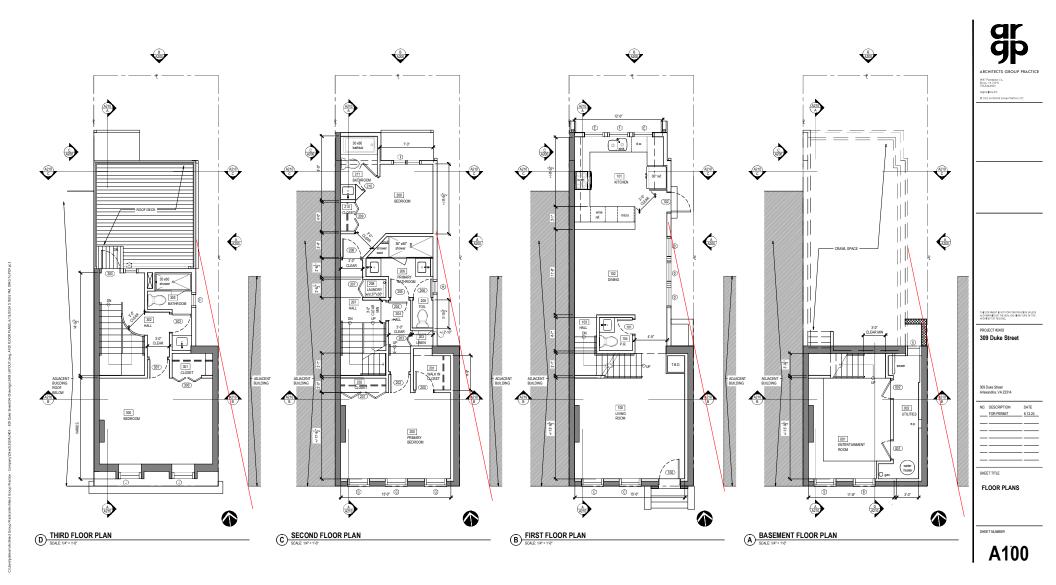
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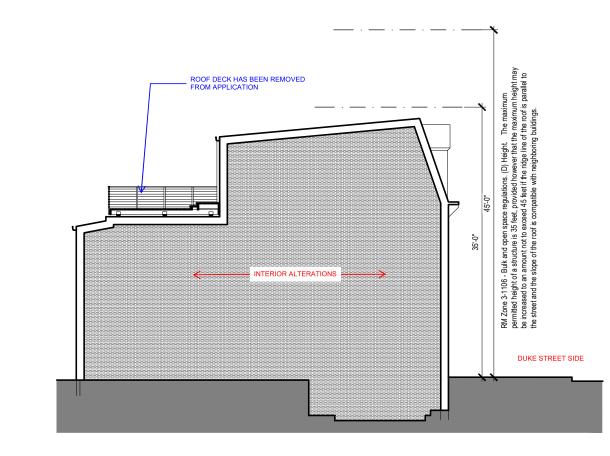
As the applicant or the applicant's authorized agent, I hereby attest to the best of my ability that the information provided above is true and correct.

5/29/2024	Chris Clark	Chris Clark
Date	Printed Name	Signature













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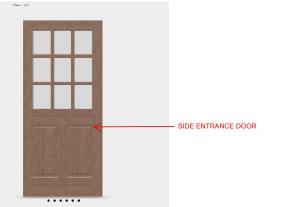
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PERSPECTIVE: DUKE STREET AT SOUTHWEST CORNER



A PERSPECTIVE: DUKE STREET SIDEWALK AT SOUTHEAST CORNER



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