*****DRAFT MINUTES*****

Board of Architectural Review **Wednesday, June 5, 2024** 7:00 p.m., City Council Chamber City Hall

Members Present: James Spencer

Andrew Scott Nastaran Zandian Bud Adams

Theresa del Ninno Michael Lyons

Members Absent: Margaret Miller

Secretary: Bill Conkey, Historic Preservation Architect

Staff Present: Marina Novaes, Historic Preservation Planner

1 Call to Order

The Board of Architectural Review Public Hearing was called to order at 7:01 p.m. p.m. Ms. Miller was absent. All other members were present.

2 Minutes

Consideration of Minutes from the May 15, 2024 Meeting

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Lyons, and seconded by Ms. Zandian, the Board of Architectural Review approved the May 15, 2024 Meeting minutes. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0.

Consent Calendar

3 BAR#2024-00174 OHAD

Request for signage at 103 S Union Street

Applicant: Phillip Scotton

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Scott, and seconded by Mr. Lyons, the Board of Architectural Review voted to approve BAR#2024-00174 as submitted. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0.

REASON

The Board agreed with staff recommendations.

SPEAKERS

None.

DISCUSSION

None.

4 BAR#2024-00179 OHAD

Request for alterations at 200 S Fairfax Street

Applicant: Green's Steam Furniture Works – A Condominium

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Scott, and seconded by Mr. Lyons, the Board of Architectural Review voted to approve BAR#2024-00179 as submitted. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0.

REASON

The Board agreed with staff recommendations

SPEAKERS

None

DISCUSSION

None

5 BAR#2024-00180 OHAD

Request for alterations at 307 N Washington Street

Applicant: Michael M Franck

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Scott, and seconded by Mr. Lyons, the Board of Architectural Review voted to approve BAR#2024-00180 as submitted. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0.

REASON

The Board agreed with staff recommendations.

SPEAKERS

None.

DISCUSSION

None.

New Business

6&7 BAR#2024-00177 OHAD

Request for partial demolition/encapsulation at 308 N Columbus Street

Applicant: Adam Barry

BAR#2024-00178 OHAD

Request for alterations at 308 N Columbus Street

Applicant: Adam Barry

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Ms. Zandian, and seconded by Ms. del Ninno, the Board of Architectural Review voted to approve BAR#2024-00177 and BAR#2024-00178 as submitted. The motion carried on a vote of 6-0. Mr. Scott advised that the applicant work with staff to find a way to infill the door to indicate that the door had been there in the past.

REASON

The Board found the project to be appropriate.

SPEAKERS

Adam Barry, the applicant, gave a brief summary of the project. Matthew Meehan, general contractor, was available to answer questions.

DISCUSSION

Ms. Zandian felt that although the proposed door on the rear/west elevation would not be visible from a public right of way, it should be centered below the above window, moving it a few inches to do so. Mr. Barry explained that due to the serpentine boundary wall between his property and a neighbor, moving the door would make access to the interior difficult, if not impossible.

Mr. Meehan pointed out that this would negatively impact the interior space. He explained that they would be using the existing steel lintel from the previous door in that location, therefore placing the new door exactly where the old door was.

Mr. Scott asked when the door to be removed on the north side of the rear ell was constructed. Mr. Meehan responded that it may have been part of the 1977 or 2017 BAR approval. The 2017 approval for a window replacement indicated a door in this location. Mr. Scott asked for verification that the applicant was not aware of the construction date of that door and that the plan is to brick over the existing. Mr. Meehan replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Scott noted that in other cases where bricking in doors have been approved, the Board has recommended recessing the area slightly in order to indicate that a door was once in that location. The coffee shop at Cameron and N. Patrick streets did that. Mr. Barry said that would be difficult, as the area that would be filled in is 12' tall; it includes the 1970s aluminum window above. Mr. Scott recommended working with staff to indicate that there was an opening in that location.

Mr. Meehan asked how far the brick in these cases is generally recessed. Mr. Spencer replied that it is normally 1/2" to 1" deep.

Ms. del Ninno noted that if the area is recessed, the header in the lintel may be retained.

14 Adjournment

The Board of Architectural Review adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Administrative Approvals

BAR2024-00116 OHAD

Request for window replacement at 915 S Saint Asaph Street

Applicant: Rust Construction

BAR2024-00152 PG

Request for window and door replacement at 319 N Alfred Street

Applicant: Hassan Aden

BAR2024-00173 OHAD

Request for window replacement at 318 S Columbus Street

Applicant: Kathryn Powers

BAR2024-00182 OHAD

Request for garage door replacement at 427 Cameron Street

Applicant: Richard or Jo Sheres

BAR2024-00184 OHAD

Request for door replacement at 105 N Union Street

Applicant: City of Alexandria - General Services

BAR2024-00185 PG

Request for gate installation at 326 N Alfred Street

Applicant: Stephen Kulinski

BAR2024-00186 OHAD

Request for signage at 825 S Washington Street

Applicant: ABC Store

BAR2024-00187 OHAD

Request for signage at 109 N Fairfax Street

Applicant: Hattie Dove

BAR2024-00188 OHAD

Request for sign bracket replacement at 217 Cameron Street

Applicant: Humble Works Inc. DBA Humble

BAR2024-00189 OHAD

Request for vent installation at 429 Cameron Street

Applicant: FRED the first Name in Home Improvements

BAR2024-00190 OHAD

Request for roof replacement at 1718 Carpenter Road

Applicant: Jeffrey E. Faulkner

BAR2024-00191 PG

Request for fence and gate installation at 405 N West Street

Applicant: Suzanne Thomas

BAR2024-00192 PG

Request for door replacement at 1115 Cameron Street Unit 409

Applicant: Karlen Murray/Renewal by Andersen

BAR2024-00193 OHAD

Request for signage at 686 N Saint Asaph Street

Applicant: Econo Sign Inc/Laura Mercier

BAR2024-00197 OHAD

Request for beam replacement at 122 S Royal Street Applicant: Harry Frazier Jr Roofing + Sheet Metal LLC

BAR2024-00198 OHAD

Request for roof replacement at 408 N Saint Asaph Street Applicant: Harry Frazier Jr Roofing + Sheet Metal LLC

BAR2024-00200 OHAD

Request for signage at 1028 King Street

Applicant: Ben'YaYs LLC

BAR2024-00201 OHAD

Request for window replacement at 115 N Patrick Street

Applicant: Haroon Hussain

BAR2024-00203 OHAD

Request for roof replacement at 1728 Carpenter Road

Applicant: John Jansen

BAR2024-00204 OHAD

Request for window replacement at 1025 King Street

Applicant: Tom Russow

BAR2024-00213 OHAD

Request for front stair repair at 607 Princess Street

Applicant: Charles Fones