

This application has come a long way from the presentation in January 2022. HAF very much appreciates the applicant's cooperation with staff and local expert. We are relieved to see that there is far less visual and physical impact on the 18th century structure and ell by moving the addition to the rear of the site above the 1930's addition.

We also appreciate the fact that the applicant revised his original submission in order to retain historic beams and rafters in the interior attic space of the rear ell. We certainly want to support staff's recommendation that the applicant make the proposed dormers slightly narrower to protect the historic rafters.

We note that the rear addition is taller than the main block, but we recognize that it is within the allowable height limits of the Old and Historic Alexandria District. As staff states, this proposed addition is now 80 feet back of the front/west property line, so at the rear, we hope that its height may seem, to the eye, to fit in with the nearby tall buildings.

Again, we appreciate the additional thought given this project from the many concerns we raised in January.

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On behalf of the HAF Advocacy Committee