



RECORD OF APPEAL  
FROM A DECISION OF THE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

Date Appeal Filed With City Clerk: June 9, 2008

B.A.R. Case # 2008-0076

Address of Project: 209 Jefferson Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Appellant is: (Check One)

B.A.R. Applicant

Other Party. State Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Appellant: 209 Jefferson Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Telephone Number: (703) 683-6593

State Basis of Appeal: We would like to be able to  
install the Jel-Wen Aurora fiberglass door.

\* Please see attached sheet.

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Attach additional sheets, if necessary.

\* A Board of Architectural Review decision may be appealed to City Council either by the B.A.R.\* applicant or by 25 or more owners of real estate within the effected district who oppose the decision of the Board of Architectural Review. Sample petition on rear.

\* All appeals must be filed with the City Clerk on or before 14 days after the decision of the B.A.R.\*

\* All appeals require a \$150.00 filing fee.\*

If an appeal is filed, the decision of the Board of Architectural Review is stayed pending the City Council decision on the matter. The decision of City Council is final subject to the provisions of Sections 10-107, 10-207 or 10-309 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Joan Marabini  
Signature of the Appellant

Our front entrance faces south and receives strong sunlight all day. We don't have a roof over the front door to provide shading. Because of the strong sun exposure, our wooden door cracks, showing fissures and unstained wood between panels.

We have consulted a number of professional door specialists. They all say that a wooden door would continue to crack in a few years regardless of how well they are made, stained and maintained due to sun damage.

Byrd Design Build Company recommended to replace the damaged door with a new Jel-Wen Aurora Fiberglass door – it is not the Fiberglass of the past. This door will have Mahogany grain finish and will be undistinguishable from a solid wooden door. It will preserve the look of a wooden mahogany door and remain undamaged, preserving the look of the historic district, for many more years. Fiberglass doors are also more energy efficient than wooden doors.

Our house was built in 1968 and is not a historic house. There are a number of neighbors who use composite materials for siding: 735 S. Lee, 707 S Lee (with Hardi-Plank siding). They also preserve the look of wooden siding for many years without being damaged by weather and sunlight. We believe that the door we are proposing for replacement will be not only be in line with, but even improve, the historic appearance of our neighborhood.

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**IWP Door Division**

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**Re:** IWP Aurora Sample **CC:**

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● **Comments:**

Denise,

This is to certify that the 20" X 36" "Mini door" sample is fiberglass.

It is from the JELD-WEN IWP Aurora Fiberglass door line and is the finest and most authentic looking fiberglass door on the market today.

Should you have additional questions please contact me directly.

Thank you,

Chris Draper  
Regional Sales Manager, Atlantic South  
JELD-WEN IWP Door Division  
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Subject Material for appeal of 209 Jefferson St to City Council-docket # 19  
Sat.13, Sept. 2008

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Clerk of Council : Would you, please include the following letter from the Historic Alexandria Foundation in the Council's material for this Saturday's appeal of the BAR decision in the case of 209 Jefferson St.--Docket # 19. Thank you

The Honorable William Euille  
Mayor, City of Alexandria, Va.  
City Hall  
King Street  
Alexandria, Va.

Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of Council:

This letter concerns the appeal in the case of 209 Jefferson Street. The Historic Alexandria Foundation strongly supports the position of the Board of Architectural Review (BAR) which accepted the recommendation of the City Planning Staff that the front door at 209 Jefferson St, be made of wood and not of fiberglass.

It has long been the position of City Planning Staff and the BAR that only historic materials be used in structures in the Old and Historic District..The house at 209 Jefferson St. is in the Old and Historic District and the door of that house was originally made of wood and has remained a wooden door for many, many years.

The Historic Alexandria Foundation strongly urges City Council to uphold the BAR decision to deny the use of fiberglass for the door in this case . City Planning Staff and the BAR are carrying out their mandates to preserve the historic character of Alexandria and they deserve every support---they have the Foundation's and we now seek yours

Respectfully yours, John Hynan vice Dr. Morgan Delaney, President, Historic Alexandria Foundation