

\*\*\*\*\*DRAFT MINUTES\*\*\*\*\*

Alexandria Board of Architectural Review  
Old & Historic Alexandria District

**Wednesday, June 1, 2011**

7:30pm, City Council Chambers, City Hall  
301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Members Present: Tom Hulfish, Chairman  
Oscar Fitzgerald  
Arthur Keleher  
Wayne Neale  
Peter Smeallie  
Chip Carlin  
John von Senden

Staff Present: Planning & Zoning  
Michele Oaks, Historic Preservation Planner  
Al Cox, FAIA, Historic Preservation Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by Chairman Hulfish.

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## **I. MINUTES**

Consideration of the minutes of the public hearing of May 18, 2011.

**BOARD ACTION: Approved, as submitted, 7-0**

On a motion by Dr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Smeallie, the minutes were unanimously approved, as submitted, 7-0.

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## **II. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Items on the Consent Calendar are those where the applicant has agreed to all conditions of approval shown in the staff reports. Without objection, the staff recommendation for these cases will be approved as a group by unanimous consent of the Board at the beginning of the meeting. When announced by the Chairman, any member of the Board or of the public may ask that one of these cases be removed for full discussion.

On a motion by Mr. von Senden, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald, items #1 and #2 on the Consent Calendar were unanimously **approved, as submitted, 7-0.**

1. **CASE BAR2011-0093**  
Request for awnings and signage at **1609 King St**, zoned KR King Street Retail.  
**APPLICANT:** Lee Choe  
**BOARD ACTION: Approved, as amended, 7-0.**
2. **CASE BAR2011-0102**  
Request for signage at **330 N Washington St**, zoned CD Commercial.  
**APPLICANT:** Wells Fargo Bank by Gary Brent  
**BOARD ACTION: Approved, as submitted, 7-0.**

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### III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. [CASE BAR2011-0101](#)

Request for facade renovations and signage at **610 King St**, zoned KR King Street Retail.

APPLICANT: Urban Outfitters, INC by Tim Goering

BOARD ACTION: **Approved, as submitted, 7-0.**

#### **SPEAKERS**

Tim Goering, project architect, spoke in support of the staff report.

Jenna Murphy, Senior Designer for Anthropology, spoke in support of staff report.

#### **BOARD DISCUSSION**

Mr. von Senden inquired why the applicant chose to utilize CMU block instead of brick to enclose the windows on the rear/side elevations. The architect noted that the CMU block was selected to provide differentiation from the historic wall but will be painted to match the brick wall color.

Mr. Fitzgerald questioned the texture and or color of the glass being installed on the upper portion of the storefront and in the second floor windows and inquired if it was going to be clear or opaque. The architect verified that the glass would be clear, without tint, but noted it would have a pebbled texture, similar to historic cylinder glass.

Mr. Smeallie wanted verification of the light configuration in the second floor windows. Staff verified that the light configuration was 8/8 not 6/6 as stated in an error in the staff report.

Mr. Smeallie was concerned about the materials being utilized for the hanging sign. After the Senior Designer explained the material was a hot rolled steel panel, Mr. Smeallie did not object to the material selection or design for the signage being proposed.

Chairman Hulfish called the question on the application as submitted. The application was approved, 7-0.

#### **REASON**

The Board found that the proposal was sympathetic to existing architectural style and that it would not negatively impact the historic integrity of the building at 610 King Street.

4. [CASE BAR2011-0121](#)

Request for demolition/encapsulation at **821 S Lee St**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: Patricia & James Miller

BOARD ACTION: **Approved, as amended, 7-0.**

This item was combined with item #5 for discussion purposes.

5. [CASE BAR2011-0122](#)

Request for screened porch at **821 S Lee St**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: Patricia & James Miller

BOARD ACTION: **Approved, as amended, 7-0.**

## **SPEAKERS**

Patricia Miller, owner of the property at 821 South Lee Street, summarized the scope of the project and noted support of the staff report, as amended.

## **BOARD DISCUSSION**

Mr. Neale supported the staff recommendation to add additional trim detail to the proposed screen porch. He would like to see a minimum 6 x6 porch post. Staff indicated that the staff recommendation is a 4 x4 post with a snap-on PVC trim surround, which would make a finish size approximately 5-1/2" square.

Chairman Hulfish called the question on the application as submitted. The application was approved by a roll call vote 7-0.

## **REASON**

The Board found that this rear screen porch addition was appropriate and compatible for this mid-20<sup>th</sup> century building.

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## **IV. DEFERRED ITEMS**

The Board noted the following Deferrals:

### **6. CASE BAR2011-0103**

Request for demolition/encapsulation at **519 Wilkes St**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: John Butler & Holly Herman by Bud Adams

**This case was deferred to the June 15, 2011 public hearing by the applicant.**

### **7. CASE BAR2011-0104**

Request for third floor addition at **519 Wilkes St**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: John Butler & Holly Herman by Bud Adams

**This case was deferred to the June 15, 2011 public hearing by the applicant.**

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## **IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

- Staff reminded the Board of the Green Building Workshop "Green + Historic Buildings = The Best of Both" on Saturday June 4, 2010.

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## **V. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Hulfish adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:51 pm.

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## **VI. ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS**

The following items are shown for information only. Based on the Board's adopted policies, these have been approved by Staff since the previous Board meeting.

### **CASE BAR2011-0120**

Request for window rehabilitation and window replacement at **218 N Columbus St**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: Janet Knotts

**CASE BAR2011-0130**

Request for gate replacement at **225 N Royal St**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: Larry & Elizabeth Fuller

**CASE BAR2011-0131**

Request for door replacement at **132 King St**, zoned KR King Street Retail.

APPLICANT: Creme de la Creme

**CASE BAR2011-0137**

Request for downspout at **417 S Saint Asaph St**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: Leigh & William Greener

**CASE BAR2011-0138**

Request for railing replacement at **9 Potomac Ct**, zoned RM Residential.

APPLICANT: Mary Savino

Minutes submitted by,

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