

Docket Item #13  
BAR CASE #2005-0178

BAR Meeting  
September 7, 2005

**ISSUE:** New windows  
**APPLICANT:** WRIT  
**LOCATION:** 515 King Street  
**ZONE:** CD/Commercial

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.

NOTE: Docket item #12 must be approved before this docket item may be approved.

**I. ISSUE:**

The applicant is requesting approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for five new windows at the fifth floor on the north (rear) wall of the modern brick office building located on the northeast corner of King and Saint Asaph Streets. The five rectangular windows will be located in punched openings in the brick clad wall. The windows will be arranged in a regularly spaced row with narrow masonry piers between the windows. The windows will be rectangular, approximately 3.5' wide and 4' high and will match the existing windows which have anodized aluminum frames and dark tinted glass.

The windows will be visible in a through-the-block view from North Saint Asaph Street.

**II. HISTORY:**

As discussed in docket item #12, the five story concrete and brick commercial building at 515 King Street was constructed in 1968 and has been the subject of a number of past BAR reviews for minor alterations and signage.

**III. ANALYSIS:**

The proposed alterations comply with the zoning ordinance requirements.

In the opinion of Staff, the proposed alterations are appropriate. The windows will add interest to a previously blank wall. The punched openings and dark tinted aluminum framed windows which are proposed are in keeping with the existing windows on the building.

**IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.

## CITY DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

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

### Code Enforcement:

- C-1 New construction must comply with the current edition of the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC).
- C-2 Alterations to the existing structure must comply with the current edition of the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC).
- C-3 Construction permits are required for this project. Plans shall accompany the permit application that fully detail the construction as well as layouts and schematics of the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems.

### Historic Alexandria:

“No comment.”