

Docket Item #5  
BAR CASE #2006-199

BAR Meeting  
September 20, 2006

**ISSUE:** Alterations

**APPLICANT:** Barbara G. Beckwith by Robert Bentley Adams

**LOCATION:** 312 South St. Asaph Street

**ZONE:** RM/Residential

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.

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**I. ISSUE:**

The applicant is requesting approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations to the residential rowhouse at 312 South St. Asaph Street. The alterations include:

- New carriage style light fixture on the south side of the front doorway;
- Replacement simulated divided light wood windows on the two windows on the third level and the northern window on the second level;
- Addition of new operable louvered shutters on the two windows on the third level and the northern window on the second level; and,
- New door surround.

**II. HISTORY:**

312 South St. Asaph Street is a three story, two bay frame rowhouse dating from the early the early 19<sup>th</sup> century according to Ethelyn Cox in *Alexandria Street by Street* (p.163) that was later Victorianized. In 1983 the Board approved alterations to the front steps of the house (10/5/1983).

**III. ANALYSIS:**

Proposed new front stoop and alterations comply with zoning ordinance requirements.

Staff has no objections to the proposed alterations. The new entry door light fixture is appropriate to the Victorian era style of the house. The simulated divided light windows are on the second and third levels and well removed from proximity to the public sidewalk. The shutters are also appropriate to the style of the house. The new door surround is also appropriate to the Victorian era re-styling of the house.

**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:

F-1 The provided application materials are insufficient to determine what the proposed project is or to what extent construction is proposed. The applicant shall provide information to the Code Enforcement's Permit Section prior to any work in order to determine what code requirements are applicable.

Historic Alexandria:

Request seems appropriate.