

Docket Item # 6  
BAR CASE # 2007-0146

BAR Meeting  
August 1, 2007

**ISSUE:** Signage  
**APPLICANT:** USPS by Oussama Souadi  
**LOCATION:** 200 North Washington Street  
**ZONE:** CD/Commercial

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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 signage and a flag pole in a portion of the retail space at 200 North Washington Street. A wall mounted sign is proposed to be located to the north of the entry. This sign, "United States Postal Service" with logo measures 2'3" in height and 2' in width. A flag pole for the display of the United States flag will be installed to the left of the entry way. The pole will be 6' in length.

**II. HISTORY:**

200 North Washington Street is a five story Colonial Revival style office building constructed in 1965.

Over the years, the Board has approved numerous wall and hanging signs for this building, including: Citizen's Bank (BAR Case #94-0134, 11/2/1994); F & M Bank (BAR Case #97-226, 11/19/1997); Virginia Tech (BAR Case #99-28, 3/17/1999); and, Office Depot (BAR Case #2002-0311, 2/5/2003). Most recently, last year, the Board approved signs for the American Correctional Institute (BAR Case #2006-0096, 6/17/1006).

**III. ANALYSIS:**

Proposed sign and flag comply with zoning ordinance requirements.

The new signage is for the relocation of the George Mason substation of the United States Postal Service which is relocating to 200 North Washington Street from 699 Prince Street which will become fully occupied by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Staff has no objection to the current proposal. It is similar to the Board's previous approval of signs for retail tenants in this space and is the same as that currently used for the postal substation in the 100 block of South Washington Street.

**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 Wall letters / signs must comply with USBC [H103-H111].

Historic Alexandria:

No comments received.