

Docket Item # 4
BAR CASE # 2008-0084

BAR Meeting
June 18, 2008

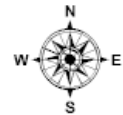
ISSUE: Alterations
APPLICANT: Bernard & Susan Kellom
LOCATION: 719 S. Fairfax Street
ZONE: RM, Residential

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



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I. ISSUE:

The applicant is requesting the approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of two new exterior light fixtures at 719 South Fairfax Street. The proposed light fixtures will be mounted on either side of the main entrance door which is located on the south facing wall of the house rather than the east façade facing S. Fairfax Street. The proposed light fixtures are 11 ½ inches tall and will extend 8 ½ inches from the house. They have a copper bronze finish with frosted white glass. They will each take one 60 watt light bulb.

II. HISTORY:

The two story frame house at 719 South Fairfax Street probably dates to the late 19th century or early 20th century. The house has undergone significant alterations over time and the original appearance is unknown. In 1969, the Board approved an exterior renovation of the property, which resulted in the installation of the existing multi-pane double hung windows and the large picture window. The project also encompassed the installation of new siding and the construction of the brick planter at the front of the house. (BAR Item #2, April 9, 1969)

III. ANALYSIS:

The proposed alterations comply with the zoning ordinance requirements.

Staff finds the size, design and placement of the light fixtures appropriate to the building and the historic district. In accordance with the Design Guidelines the proposed fixtures are both sympathetic to the style of the building and in keeping with the scale of the building. Additionally, the intensity of the light is appropriate for the location on a residential street.

IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.

V. CITY DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

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

Code Enforcement:

- C-1 Alterations to the existing structure must comply with the current edition of the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC).
- C-2 Alterations to the existing structure and/or installation and/or altering of equipment therein requires a building permit. Five sets of plans, bearing the signature and seal of a design professional registered in the Commonwealth of Virginia, must accompany the written application. The plans must include all dimensions, construction alterations details, kitchen equipment, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical layouts and schematics.
- C-3 Construction permits are required for this project. Plans shall accompany the permit application that fully details the construction as well as layouts and schematics of the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems.

Historic Alexandria:

No Comments received.

VI. IMAGES



Figure 1 Proposed light fixture