Docket Item # 3 BAR CASE #2008-0049

BAR Meeting April 23, 2008

**ISSUE:** Alterations

**APPLICANT:** G. Steven Vanni

**LOCATION:** 902 Pendleton Street

**ZONE:** RB/Residential

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

<sup>\*\*</sup>EXPIRATION OF APPROVALS NOTE: In accordance with Sections 10-106(B) and 10-206(B) of the Zoning Ordinance, any official Board of Architectural Review approval will expire 12 months from the date of issuance if the work is not commenced and diligently and substantially pursued by the end of that 12-month period.

<sup>\*\*</sup>BUILDING PERMIT NOTE: Most projects approved by the Board of Architectural Review require the issuance of one or more construction permits by the Code Enforcement Bureau (<u>including signs</u>). The applicant is responsible for obtaining all necessary construction permits after receiving Board of Architectural Review approval. Contact Code Enforcement, Room 4200, City Hall, 703-838-4360 for further information.

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#### I. <u>ISSUE</u>:

The applicant is requesting approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a fence and gate at 902 Pendleton Street. The new 6'tall fence and gate will replace an existing 3 ½' chain link fence which encloses the side yard. The fence and gate will measure 11' in length and be constructed of flush boards with a horizontal cap board. The fence will be painted a brick red color, the same color the applicant intends to paint the existing front door.

## II. HISTORY:

The two story, brick-faced and concrete block house at 902 Pendleton Street appears to be a 19<sup>th</sup> or early 20<sup>th</sup> century frame house that underwent extensive remodeling in 1965-1966. The house is extremely plain and does not reflect any particular architectural style. In 2002, the Board approved the installation of three pairs of French doors on the east elevation of the house (BAR Case #2002-0236, September 25, 2002).

#### III. ANALYSIS:

The proposed alterations comply with the zoning ordinance.

Staff believes that the proposed fence and gate are a significant improvement over the existing chain link fence. The design and scale of the fence and gate are also appropriate to the stripped down style of this house, as recommended in the *Design Guidelines*. Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.

## **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:

Comments pending.

Historic Alexandria:

No comments received.