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PROPERTY ADDRESS

3820 Hermitage Road

Commission of **Architectural Review**

STAFF REPORT



DISTRICT APPLICANT STAFF CONTACT

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Construct a new rear shed.

PROJECT DETAILS

- The applicant proposes to construct a shed in the rear yard of a two-story, three-bay Italian Renaissance style home in the Hermitage Road City Old and Historic District.
- The proposed shed will be 16'x10'x10' and clad in lap siding and painted the same color as the main residence.
- The roof will be a standing seam metal roof with a bronze-colored finish.
- The yard-facing façade of the proposed shed will utilize a portico with gable ornament, knee braces, and square posts.
- On a site visit, staff noticed that the proposed shed is currently under construction.



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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS

PREVIOUS REVIEWS

None.

STAFF RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

- Staff recommends that the roof have a finish that more closely resembles that of the main residence, to be reviewed and approved by staff.
- Staff recommends that the wooden siding be smooth, without a bead.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Residential Outbuildings, pg. 51 #1-3

1. Outbuildings, including garages, sheds, gazebos and other auxiliary structures, should be compatible with the design of

Staff finds the proposed shed is generally in keeping with the guidelines. The proposed shed is smaller than the main residence and is

- the primary building on the site, including roof slope and materials selection.
- Newly constructed outbuildings such as detached garages or tool sheds should respect the siting, massing, roof profiles, materials and colors of existing outbuildings in the neighborhood.
- New outbuildings should be smaller than the main residence and be located to the rear and/or side of the property to emphasize that they are secondary structures.

located at the rear of the property.

The applicant has specified that the proposed shed will utilize a standing seam metal roof with a bronze finish. Staff recommends that the roof have a finish that more closely resembles that of the main residence, to be reviewed and approved by staff.

Staff notes that the proposed shed will utilize a gable roof form and wood siding, both of which are common materials and roof forms found on outbuildings in the Hermitage Road Old and Historic District.

Standards for New Construction, Materials and Colors, pg. 47 2. Materials used in new residential construction should be visually compatible with original materials used throughout the district.

Staff finds that the proposed wood siding is consistent with other residential outbuildings in the district. Staff recommends that the wooden siding be smooth, without a bead.

It is the assessment of staff that, with the conditions above, the application is consistent with the Standards for Rehabilitation and New Construction outlined in Section 30-930.7 (b) and (c) of the City Code, as well as with the Richmond Old and Historic Districts Handbook and Design Review Guidelines, specifically the pages cited above, adopted by the Commission for review of Certificates of Appropriateness under the same section of the code.

FIGURES



Figure 1. 3820 Hermitage Road Front Façade



Figure 2. 3820 Hermitage Road, View of shed under construction from alley