# Commission of Architectural Review Submission Application 

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## REQUEST FOR CONCEPTUAL REVIEW

I hereby request Conceptual Review under the provisions of Chapter 114, Article IX, Division 4, Section 114-930.6(d) of the Richmond City Code for the proposal outtined below in accordance with materials accompanying this application. I understand that conceptual review is advisory only.

## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

I hereby make application for the issuance of a certificate under the provisions of Chapter 114, Article IX, Division 4 (Old and Historic Districts) of the Richmond City Code for the proposal outlined below in accordance with plans and specifications accompanying this application.

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK (Required):

 STATE HOW THE DESIGN REVIEW GUIDELINES INFORM THE DESIGN OF THE WORK PROPOSED. (Include additional sheets of description if necessary, and 12 copies of artwork helpful in describing the project. The 12 copies are not required if the project is being reviewed for an administrative approval. See instruction sheet for requirements.)TO BUILD AN B-UNIT MULTI-FAMILY STRUCTURE. FACINE THE STREET WIL BE A 2 STORY PHRTIDN WITH A FRONT PORCH/COLUMMS AND oryPORTIONSFCORNLCE DETNLLTO MATEN HVE EEVSTING NECGIBGMITOOd.THE RENN PIRTIAN WILL BE 3 STRIES AND BE CONNECTEQ BY ACOMMAONSTAIR BeThrev BC WILC HANE A MODRE MONEN GTAIR BETWRER. THE REMN PIRTION HANE A MORE MODEN AESTAEFC.

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## APPLICATION NO.

DATE $\qquad$
Note: CAR reviews all applications on a case-by-case basis.

To the members of the CAR staff and the committee.
Unfortunately I (Daniil Kleyman) won't be present at the December $13^{\text {th }}$ meeting, so I wanted to submit my comments in writing to you as a supplement to the drawings and the narrative already submitted on this project. I appreciate you taking the time to read this and I'll try to be brief.

I have been very personally and heavily involved with development in church hill and union hill for the last 9 years, both in terms of painstakingly restoring historic structures and building new ones. The property next door to the subject property is a prime example ( $810 \mathrm{~N} .21^{\text {st }}$ ). This was on the city demo list until I chose to save it and have spent the last 2 years carefully restoring it.

My job, as a developer, is not just to put up houses and buildings that fit inside the CAR checkboxes, but to also build a great product that will contribute to the vibrancy and attractiveness of the area as much as possible. It is for that reason that we are proposing building a 3-story structure in the back of $808 \mathrm{~N} .21^{\text {st }}$ st while keeping the front 2 stories. Doing this will allow us to build the most attractive layouts for each unit, ensuring that they won't stay vacant. It will also allow us to take advantage of the amazing view of the Richmond skyline from the rear of this building for the top 2 stories (or 4 of the 8 units). The goal here is to build a highly unique, attractive product that will always stay in demand, while respecting the historic character of the neighborhood.

Speaking of the historic character of the neighborhood, I'd like to point out a few key iteams about this project:

## Changes from the Conceptual Review meeting in September:

We have made major design changes. The front of the building is now an Italianate 3-bay design that fits in perfectly to the block. To accomplish this we changed the front 2-bedroom units into 1-bedrooms, thereby decreasing mass. The recessed bay design has architectural precedent in Church Hill (see attached pictures). We are open to adding the cornice line to the recessed bay if suggested.

The back part of this structure has been redesigned to better mesh with the front. First 2 stories now have the same material as the front structure and the $3^{\text {rd }}$ floor is differentiated on purpose.

## Visibility of the 3-story back portion from rights of way:

While this structure is visible from the back and side alleys, there is only one small portion of Mosby st from which this would be visible. Any traffic going down Mosby would literally have to slow down or stop at a particular point to see this. Otherwise it's obscured by other structures. From $21^{\text {st }}$ and Venable, it's not visible at all.

## Materials:

In my humble opinion, requiring that the front of this structure be built out of brick is unreasonable given the cost and the proximity to Mosby court.

## Architectural precedent for buildings of various height on the same block:

There is wide architectural precedent in Union Hill and Church Hill of blocks that contain houses of varying heights and varying stories. Please see just a few of the examples below.

In conclusion, we understand that the proposed design here is unconventional and unique and may not fit into every "checkbox". But the effort is being made here to create something unique, and highly attractive to tenants, while still respecting how the property looks from the primary right of way, and the architectural elements/precedents of the area as much as possible. We sincerely hope you will have an open mind and allow this project to go forward.


3600 Block of E . Broad. Recessed additional bay on the left.

N. 26 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ st and Cedar St. Recessed additional bay on the left.


600 Block of $\mathbf{2 3}^{\text {rd }}$ st. Recessed bay on the left.


700 Block of $\mathbf{2 3}^{\text {rd }}$ st. Recessed bay on the right.


2100 Block of $M$ st. Mix of 1,2 and 3 story houses on both sides of the block.


2100 Block of Cedar St. Mix of 2 story houses and 3 story houses.


2100 Block of Cedar St (opposite side) Mix of 2 story houses and 3 story houses.

October 28, 2016
Commission of Architectural Review
Planning and Preservation Division
Department of Planning and Development Review
City Hall, Room 510
900 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219-1907
Re: CAR No. 16-141 808 N. $21^{\text {st }}$ Street
Please find included a revised design submission for this project as described in exhibits CAR 1, CAR 2, CAR 3.

Street Context - We have reduced the front façade to a 3-bay type layout to match the neighborhood. All other previously proposed items for the façade remain in this proposal. The front façade is similar to the adjacent brick building in height and proportions.

Building Mass - CAR 3 has been added and shows the street context view of the project from all four sides superimposed within the context of the neighborhood. A roof plan is shown in the key. As you can see, we have kept the footprint of the building rather small and in keeping with the adjacent structures.
$3^{\text {rd }}$ floor Views - In order to minimize the effect of the $3^{\text {rd }}$ story, but capitalize on the view, the entire $1^{\text {st }} 2$ floors are clad in the smooth fiber cement lapped siding $w / 7^{\prime \prime}$ exposure. The $3^{\text {rd }}$ floor element front façade is slanted in order to have the $3^{\text {rd }}$ floor read more like a mansard. The third floor will be painted a darker grey and changed to a smooth fiber cement panel arrangement in order to further diminish its appearance.

Windows - The clerestories have been eliminated except over exterior doors. 2/2 PVC windows will be on the entire $1^{\text {st }} \& 2^{\text {nd }}$ floors $w /$ casements on the $3^{\text {rd }}$ floor only.

Fencing - Elevations of the dog eared fence for the trash enclosures and condenser screens are shown on CAR 2.

Thank you for your consideration,
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