

**COMMISSION OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
STAFF REPORT
May 22, 2018, Meeting**

5. COA-034717-2018 (J. & S. Bliley)

**2609 Monument Avenue
Monument Avenue Old and Historic District**

Project Description:

**Demolish an existing porch and
construct an addition at the rear.**

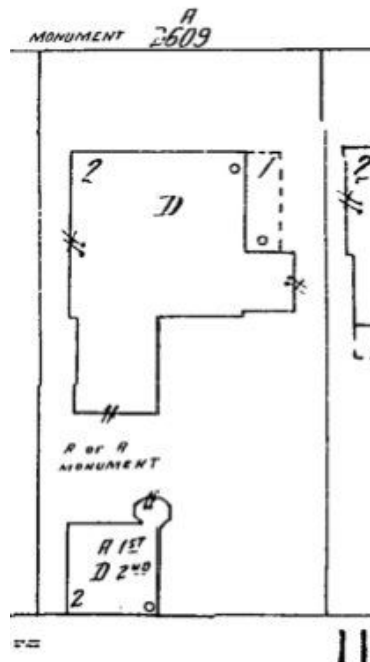
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The applicant requests approval to demolish an existing small rear porch to replace it with a one story addition on a Colonial Revival brick residence dating from the 1920's in the Monument Avenue Old and Historic District. The proposed addition is approximately 17' by 16' 2" and will match the existing home in materials and design.

Staff recommends approval of the project with conditions.

The existing porch does not appear on the 1950 Sanborn map of the property. As the porch is minimally visible from the public right of way and its demolition will have a minimal effect on architectural value and the surrounding neighborhood (pg. 82-83), staff recommends approval of the proposed demolition.



1950 Sanborn Map

As the proposed addition is located to the rear of the main structure, is subordinate in size, and as inconspicuous as possible (pg. 46 #1) staff recommends approval of the addition with the condition that the cornice not sit proud of the existing building wall on western wall of the main structure.

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