

**COMMISSION OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
STAFF REPORT
March 28, 2017, Meeting**

2. **CAR No. 17-041** (S. DeMagistris) **2510-2512 Monument Avenue
Monument Avenue Old and Historic District**

Project Description: **Replace front walk.**

Staff Contact: **C. Jeffries**

The applicant requests approval to replace the front sidewalk of a Greek Revival multifamily building in the Monument Avenue City Old and Historic District. The applicant proposes to remove existing deteriorated concrete, replace it with brick pavers, and add a matching cap to a low concrete curb enclosing the front yard of the property.

Staff recommends approval of the project, with a condition. *The Richmond Old and Historic District Handbook and Design Review Guidelines* state that brick or granite pavers are the most appropriate choice for sidewalks and curbs in most Old and Historic Districts (pg. 74, #4). Brick is a common paving material found in the district, with examples on the same block as the property. Staff recommends that the applicant submit details or a sample of the proposed brick paver and the proposed paving pattern and curb cap design to staff for administrative review and approval.

It is the assessment of staff that the application, with the condition 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.