

**COMMISSION OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
STAFF REPORT  
July 25, 2017, Meeting**

14. COA-019849-2017 (KSE Properties)

**704 North 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
Union Hill Old and Historic District**

**Project Description:**

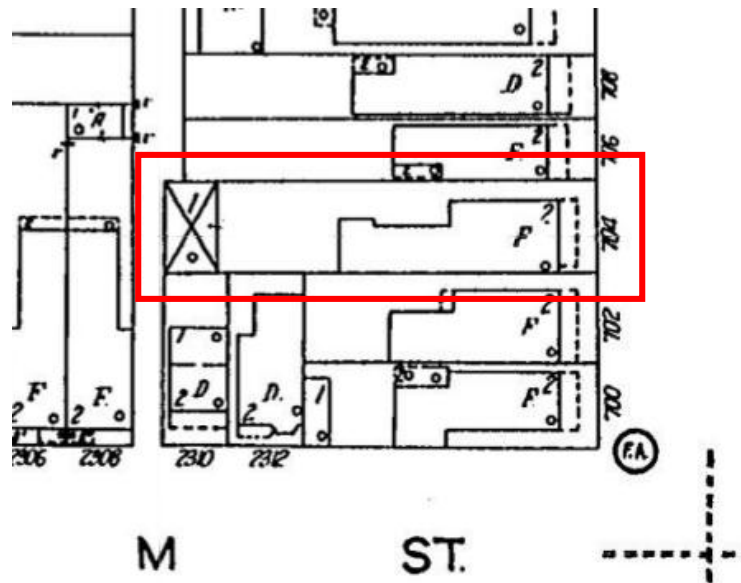
**Remove side exterior stairs.**

**Staff Contact:**

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The applicant requests approval to remove a set of existing exterior stairs at the side of this residence in the Union Hill Old and Historic District. The stairs access a small second story porch.

**Staff recommends approval of the project, with a condition.** The application is generally consistent with the Standards for Rehabilitation (pg. 57). Staff supports the removal of the stairs which do not appear to be original. No Sanborn maps show a porch in this location. The stairs are also minimally visible only from the alley behind the structure. As a railing detail was not submitted staff recommends a detail of the railing to be installed on the eastern side of the porch be submitted for administrative review and approval.



Sanborn Map, 1952

It is the assessment of staff that the application, with the noted condition, is consistent with the Standards for Rehabilitation and New Construction outlined in Sections 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 page cited above, adopted by the Commission for review of Certificates of Appropriateness under the same section of the code.