



Staff Report
City of Richmond, Virginia



Commission of Architectural Review

6. COA-119139-2022	Final Review	Meeting Date: 10/25/2022
Applicant/Petitioner	Sydney Jordan-Cooley	
Project Description	Various exterior alterations to an existing single-family, detached dwelling.	
Project Location		
Address: 9 N. 30th St.		
Historic District: St. John's Church		
High-Level Details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install a helical pile to support the cantilevered bay • Remove brick and stucco cladding to perform repairs to the wood frame underneath • Install Hardiplank siding • Repair soffit, cornice, and fascia with Boral • Replace trim around window; replace with Boral. 		
Staff Recommendation		
Staff Contact	Samantha Lewis, 804-646-5207, Samantha.lewis@rva.gov	
Previous Reviews	None.	
Conditions for Approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A rendering or drawing of final helical pile and support rod design be submitted for administrative approval. • Final exterior colors submitted for administrative approval. 	

Staff Analysis

Guideline Reference	Reference Text	Analysis
Substitute Materials, p. 60	<p><i>“Fiber cement siding is a siding option that has limited application for use on historic properties. Advertised as an alternative to vinyl or wood products, the application of these products in City Old and Historic Districts should be restricted to new freestanding buildings, secondary elevations with limited visibility from the public right-of-way...”</i></p> <p><i>Fiber cement siding should reveal a smooth surface, rather than a faux “wood grain”</i></p>	<p>The property was built in 2000 and would be considered a new freestanding building. As such, it is appropriate to use fiber cement siding (such as Hardiplank). Additionally, the area of repair has limited visibility from the public right of way.</p> <p>Applicant has noted that the type of siding will be a smooth surface.</p> <p><u>Staff recommends that final exterior colors be submitted for administrative approval.</u></p>
Building Elements, p. 67, #7 and 8	<p><i>Cornice repair should be accomplished using materials that match or are compatible with the existing cornice materials.</i></p> <p><i>Decorative details and profiles of original cornice design should dictate repair details.</i></p>	<p>Applicant has specified that the main cornice, soffit, and fascia will be repaired using Boral and match the style, shape, and color of the existing elements.</p> <p>A helical piling and support rod will be placed underneath of the bay window, as the original design of the frame and brick veneer cantilevered bay is sagging and requiring additional support. <u>Staff recommends that a rendering or drawing of final helical pile and support rod design be submitted for administrative approval.</u></p>

Figures



Figure 1. Façade photo



Figure 2. areas in need of repair