



**Staff Report**  
**City of Richmond, Virginia**



**Commission of Architectural Review**

1. COA-105884-2022	<b>Final Review</b>	<b>Meeting Date: 2/22/2022</b>
<b>Applicant/Petitioner</b>	Stephanie Kiefer	
<b>Project Description</b>	Construct a brick wall in a rear yard.	
<b>Project Location</b>		
<b>Address: 1831 Monument</b>		
<b>Historic District: Monument Avenue</b>		
<b>High-Level Details:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The applicant proposes to construct a 6'6" brick wall to enclose the rear yard of a ca. 1907 Colonial Revival multi-family house.</li> <li>The bricks will be 4"x8" in Jefferson Wade Tudor (#6035), with common bond headers every 7 courses.</li> <li>There will be 3 brick pillars - on one each side of the gate, and at the North termination.</li> </ul>		
<b>Staff Recommendation</b>	<b>Approval, with Conditions</b>	
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<b>Previous Reviews</b>	At the April 2020 CAR meeting, this applicant proposed installing a brick wall between the east side of the building and the eastern property line. The application was approved, and the wall was built.	
<b>Conditions for Approval</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fence must abide by zoning regulations.</li> </ul>	

**Staff Analysis**

Guideline Reference	Reference Text	Analysis
New Construction,	<i>1. Fence, wall, and gate designs should reflect the scale of the historic structures</i>	The applicant proposes to construct a brick wall in the rear of the property. The proposed

Fences and Walls, pg. 55	<p><i>they surround, as well as the character of nearby fences, walls, and gates.</i></p> <p><i>2. Fence, wall, or gate materials should relate to building materials commonly found in the neighborhood.</i></p>	<p>brick wall will closely match the brick wall that was approved by CAR in April 2020. Therefore, staff <u>recommends approval of this new brick wall.</u></p>
Standards for Site Improvements, Fences & Walls, pg. 78	<p><i>6. A new fence or wall should be constructed using materials and designs appropriate to the District. Height restrictions are governed by the Zoning Ordinance.</i></p> <p><i>9. Rear-yard privacy fences should mimic traditional fence designs.</i></p>	<p>The applicant proposes to construct a 6'6" brick wall with 7'4" posts. According to the Zoning code, this is the maximum height allowed for a rear or side fence. Staff recommends that the <u>fence must abide by zoning regulations.</u></p>

## Figures



Figure 1. New brick wall to match the April 2020 CAR approved Brick Wall



Figure 2. Current view from alley



Figure 3. Current backyard - wooden fence to be replaced by brick wall.

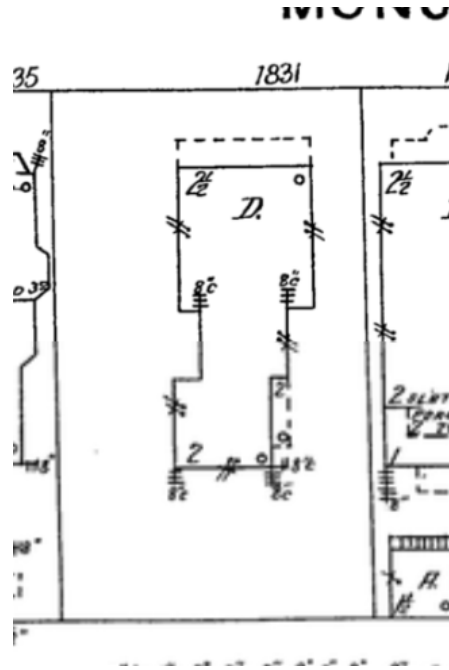


Figure 4. 1924-1925 Sanborn map