

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

3. **CAR No. 17-024** (140 Virginia Street, LLC) **140 Virginia Street
Shockoe Slip Old and Historic District**

Project Description: **Enclose existing terrace with
sliding glass windows.**

Staff Contact: **C. Jeffries**

The applicant requests approval to enclose an existing terrace on a commercial building in the Shockoe Slip Old and Historic District. The applicant proposes installing large sliding glass windows on an existing stone wall, enclosing the outdoor space.

Staff recommends approval of the project as submitted. In general, the proposed work meets the Standards for Rehabilitation contained on page 56 of the *Richmond Old and Historic Districts Handbook and Design Review Guidelines* which emphasize the retention and repair of historic materials and in-kind replacement. The installation of the sliding glass windows will not alter the original structure, as they will enclose a terrace which was a recent addition. In addition, the frames of the windows will be painted a forest green color, to match the existing terrace.

It is the assessment of staff that the application, as submitted, 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.