

Maggie L. Walker Memorial Design



Our Objective:

The Maggie Walker Plaza can be a space that provides a "both/and" experience – both honoring the rich legacy of Maggie Walker and compelling more people to experience the uniqueness of Jackson Ward and Richmond's downtown.





February 2016 VHB Plan

March 2016 Study Model

• The space is small, so we propose a reduction (or elimination) of plant material to allow for gathering space for people or flexible activity space, and reduce the maintenance burden on the City to maintain planting beds.



- Accommodate pervious surface requirements using tree wells with grates and consider pedestal pavers in the perimeter areas along Adams and Broad to allow storm water infiltration.
- Re-orient trees and select the right species for the space.



• Create an historic representation of Brook Road with streetscape features — street trees, street lights, potted plants, flush curb, granite cobble paving, etc.



• Maximize views and usable area - eliminate parking on Adams to provide more plaza space and remove parked cars from the sight lines of the plaza and the statue.



• Offset the parking displacement by combining valet stand and loading zone at the corner of the alley. Which opens up more spaces along Adams (in front of Saison Market).

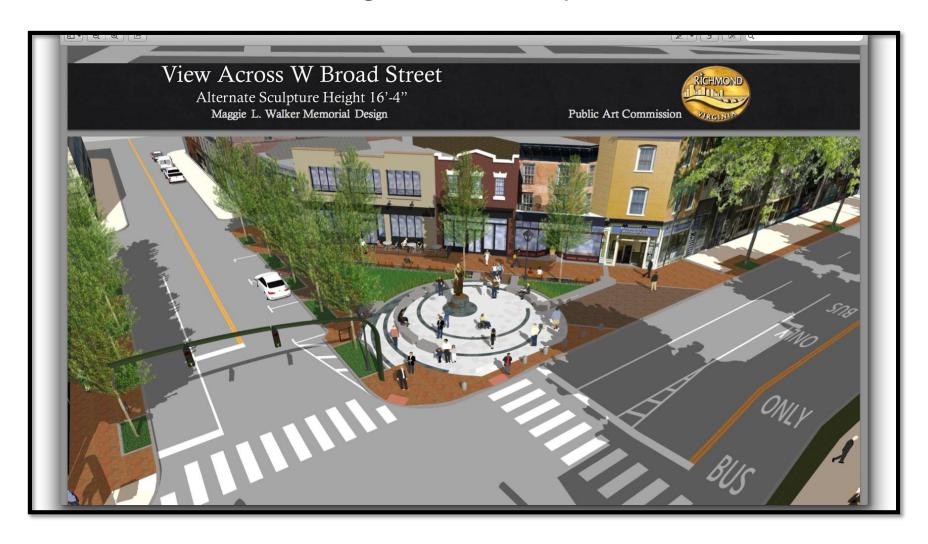


• Furnishing the space with movable furniture (but not remove-able furniture). This will allow daily use of the space and accommodate organized events with minimal set-up and break-down.



With a few slight adjustments and a critical look at prioritizing people and how they will use the space, I believe we can accomplish a "both/and" experience – honoring the rich legacy of Maggie Walker and attracting more people to experience the uniqueness of Richmond's downtown.

Maggie Walker Memorial *Urban Design Review, April 7, 2016*



David Edwards

Festival Flags, Monroe Street, Jackson Ward

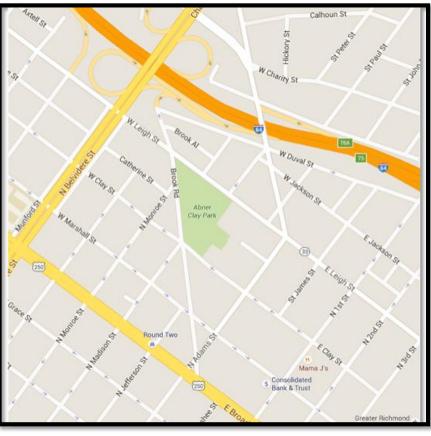


Beth Glasser, Jackson Ward Neighbor

Beth's lives in the Monroe House.

Beth walks her dogs four times a day. This is her circuit.

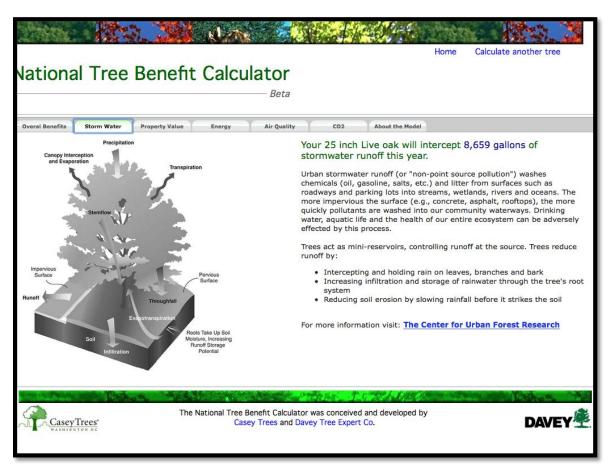






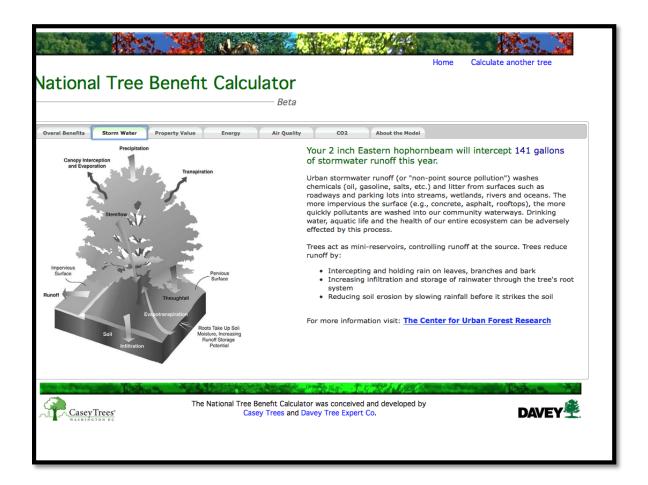
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Dog-Walking Citizen. Concerned about the effects on the environment, Beth consulted a ranking certified arborist to produce comparative data on the Live Oak and the surrogate Hornbeams planned for the site.



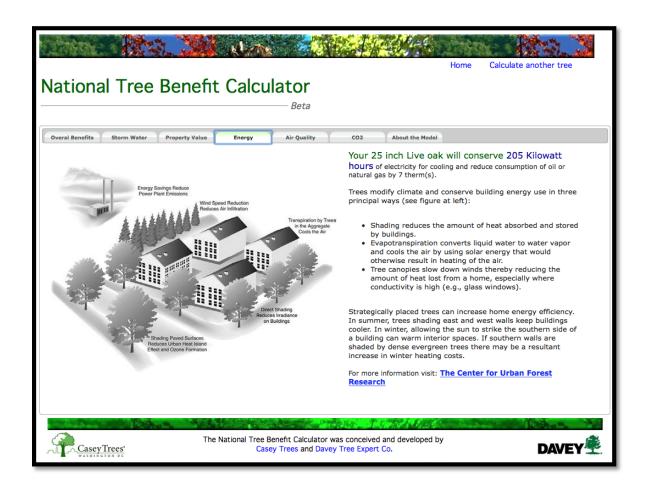
Live Oak intercepts 8,659 gallons of storm water this year.

This measurement is based on a 25 inch diameter.



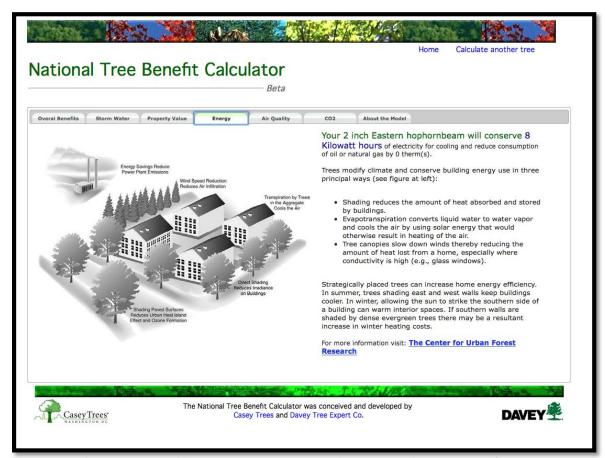
Hornbeam intercept 114 gallons of storm water this year.

This data is based on a 2-inch tree. Ten hornbeams intercept 13% of the storm water of the Live Oak.



Live Oak will conserve 205 Kilowatt hours of energy

When the Live Oak canopy is lost, energy use will increase demand don the grid and on business along the Triangle.



Hornbeam will conserve 8 Kilowatt hours of electricity

Ten hornbeams conserve 40% of the energy of the Live Oak.

Temperature Variance with canopy, April 1, 2016, 1:30 p.m.

54 degrees, *under the the LIVE OAK*, air temp. same as temperature reading at RIC airport



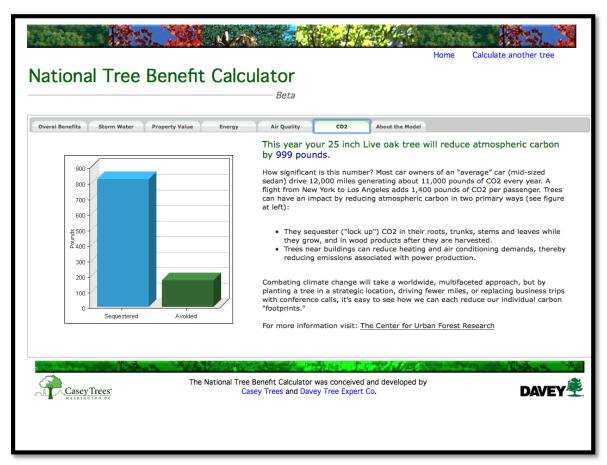
72 degrees, at Rubin Peacock's sh**op,** west-facing façade, 301 Brook Road



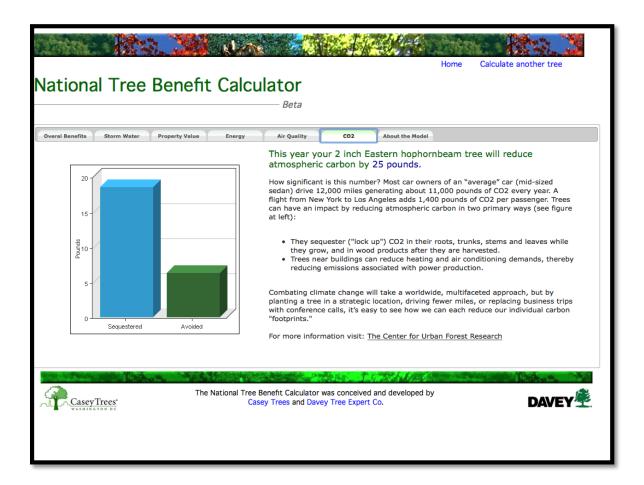


Columnar figure of Walker has replaced the tree trunk.

The absence of the canopy creates a *heat island*. Grass and/or grasses cannot last long. It will be trampled or burned in the sun without shade. HEAT & GLARE will be substantial.



The Live Oak will reduce atmospheric carbon by 999 pounds.



CO2 reduction

The Hornbeam will reduce carbons by 25 pounds – 22% of the Live Oak

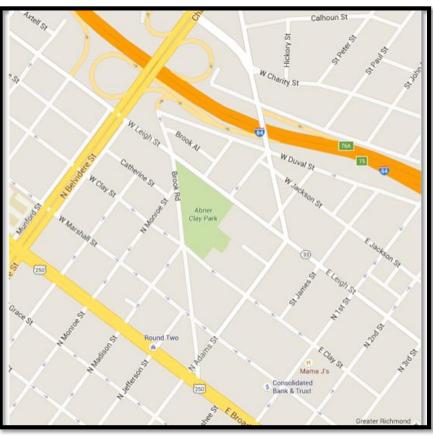
Kevin Korda

Brook & Broad Property Owner

Historic Buildings, Brook Road West-Facing Façade

Historic Triangle: Broad, Brook & Adams





Rubin Peacock

Only Homeowner on Historic Brook Road Triangle

Rubin's Urban Front Yard

View from Rubin's Window





Rubin Peacock

Only Homeowner on Historic Brook Road Triangle

Typical Congestion: Road Closure?

Road Closure?





Rubin Peacock

Only Homeowner on Historic Brook Road Triangle

Jefferson Hotel Cobblestones

Shockoe Bottom Cobblestones





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Historic Intersection of Brook Road

Process by-passes CAR

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Richmond, Virginia 23219

March 14, 2016

Via Email
City Attorney Allen L. Jackson
Office of the City Attorney, City of Richmond
900 E. Broad Street, Suite 300
Richmond, VA 23219

Re: Maggie L. Walker Memorial Design

Dear City Attorney Jackson:

I am writing to thank you for the City's efforts to construct a memorial to Maggie L. Walker. This is an effort which we strongly support and encourage. A sensitive design process is important to Historic Richmond, to our supporters, and to the many residents of the Broad Street Old and Historic District as well as the residents of the many other Old and Historic District, who as homeowners and taxpayers believe it is important that their investment be protected. Accordingly, we are writing to note our concern with the possibility that the design process may not involve review by the City's Commission of Architectural Review ("CAR").

CAR Authority to Review

Historic Richmond strongly believes that a CAR review of the Maggie L. Walker Memorial not only will positively contribute to the ongoing design process, but also is required by the City Code. The Maggie L. Walker Memorial will be located within the boundaries of the "Broad Street Old and Historic District." See City Code Section 30-930.5(5). Under Section 30-930.6(a) of the City Code, CAR approval is required for the construction of any building, structure, sign or paving in a City Old and Historic District. (Note that highlighting is added for emphasis.)

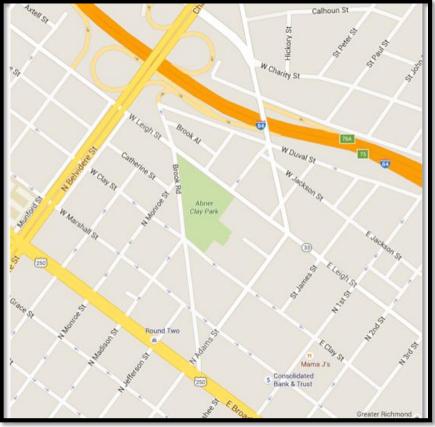
Approval required. No building or structure or any exterior portion thereof, sign or paving shall be constructed, altered, reconstructed, repaired, restored or demolished within any old and historic district unless the building or structure or any exterior portion thereof, sign or paving is approved by the Commission of Architectural Review or, on appeal, by the City Council, as being architecturally compatible with the buildings, structures, sites and general character of the old and historic district. All such approvals shall be evidenced by a certificate of appropriateness. No permit to construct, after, reconstruct, repair, restore or demolish any building, structure or site shall be issued by the Commissioner of Buildings unless the applicant has first obtained approval of a certificate of appropriateness for each work. Section 30,930 6(a)

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The Masonic Temple



The Big Picture, again



Bridge Allen

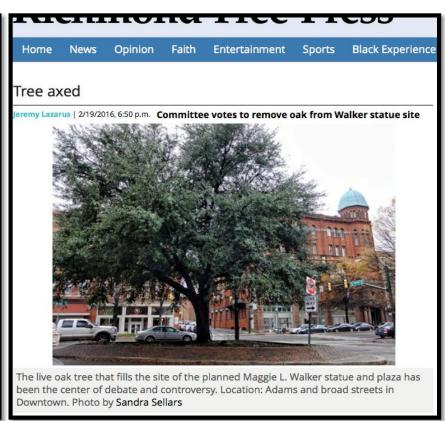
Due Process

December 2015

Mayor Signs Petition to Save the Tree

Black Experience Home Opinion News Entertainment Sports Mayor saves tree at planned Walker monument site Jeremy Lazarus | 12/4/2015, 7:27 p.m.

February 2016 *Tree Axed in Rush to Judgment*



Caryl Burtner

Broad & Brook TriangleConstricted, Congested Oasis

Abner Clay Park *Expansive Four Acre Green Space*





Caryl Burtner

Black History Museum



Ebenezer Baptist Church



Sam Forrest

THE BUDGET

Historic Brook Road $\Diamond = ZERO$ Abner Clay Park

\$600,000

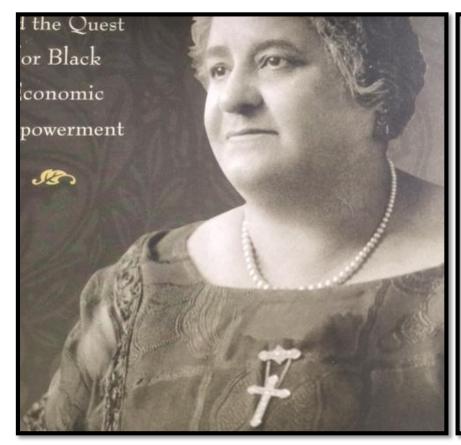




Rev. Graham Patterson

Jackson Ward's Baptists Maggie Walker & the Live Oak

Maggie Walker's Cross Walker was baptized in the James River in 1878 First African Baptist Church , 2000 members Quercus *Callipinus*, the Old Testament Live Oak





Graham Patterson *Jackson Ward's Culture & the Live Oak*

Old Testament

Genesis & Exodus a place of miracles in the story of the Israelites

Psalms

Prophets

The place a miracles is threatened to be taken away by Yahweh when the Israelites fall into sin – a curse.

First African Baptist Church



Rev. Graham Patterson *Jackson Ward's Culture & the Live Oak*

The First Rendition



Live Oak in Jackson Ward's History

The iconography comports ...

- Evergreen Cemetery, est. 1891
- St. Luke's Penney Savings Bank, 1906
- Richmond Chapter, NAACP, letterhead, est. 1917
- Southern Aid & Insurance Company
- Virginia Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, 1932
- Maggie Walker's Eulogy, 1934
- Langston Hughes' Freedom Plow, 1943

but the design is sterile ...

Jennie Dotts

Overlapping Eras, Overlapping Facades Following the Contours of History Brook Road

The 1812 Turnpike & the British Blockade Troops Marched and the Mails Moved North



The Society of the War of 1812

4804 Cary Street Road Richmond, VA 23226

April 5, 2016

Dr. Carol Patterson 2505 E. Grace Street Richmond, VA 23223

> Re: Historical Importance of Brook Road Intersection with Broad Street

Dear Dr. Patterson:

The Society of the War of 1812 in Virginia strongly supports your efforts to preserve the integrity of Brook Road's historic intersection with Broad Street in the City of Richmond, and opposes any efforts to needlessly destroy that historic street grid.

Brook Road is the oldest northern gateway road into the City of Richmond. Any traveler in the 1700's approaching Richmond from the north would have entered Richmond along Brook Road. The Marquis de Lafayette's troops entered Richmond in April 1781 along Brook Road, to defend the City against British attack in one of the opening maneuvers of the Virginia 1781 campaign that eventually lead to a British surrender at Yorktown later in the year.

Richard Young's 1810 map of the City of Richmond shows Brook Road (starting at its intersection with H Street, now Broad Street) as the only road leading out of the City to the north.

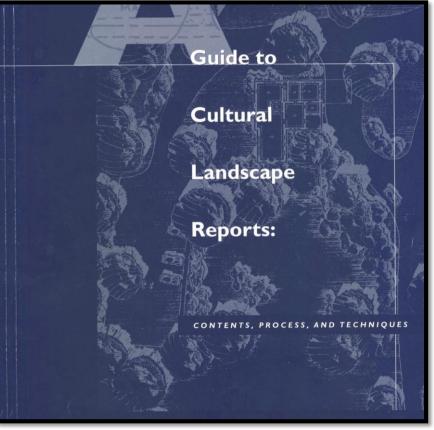
During the War of 1812, Richmond was a critical junction point for troop movements in Virginia. County militia throughout the state were called up to help defend Norfolk, and were also stationed at the defensive camps set up east of Richmond (to guard against an expected British attack to seize Richmond through moving up the James or York Rivers). All of the militia from northern Virginia who came through Richmond during the war, en route to Norfolk or to the defensive camps east of Richmond, would have marched down Brook Road to its intersection with Broad Street.

Jennie Dotts

Old faces have character

The photographic documentary arm of the Library of Congress and the National Parks ----





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Plaza Without a Plan



NHR, DHR

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Department of Historic Resources

Molly Joseph Ward Secretary of Natural Resources 2801 Kensington Avenue, Richmond, Virginia 23221

Julie V. Langan Director Tel: (804) 367-2323 Fax: (804) 367-2391 www.dhr.virginia.gov

April 6, 2016

Urban Design Committee City of Richmond 900 E. Broad Street Richmond, VA 23219

RE: UDC No. 2016-12: Conceptual Location, Character and Extent review of Maggie Walker Memorial Plaza

Dear Members of the Urban Design Committee:

Over the past several months and as recently as today, the Department of Historic Resources has received numerous requests from the public that this agency take a position regarding the various issues related to the proposed Maggie Walker monument. I have declined to weigh in on any issue that falls outside the purview of DHR's authority or is unrelated to the programs we administer.

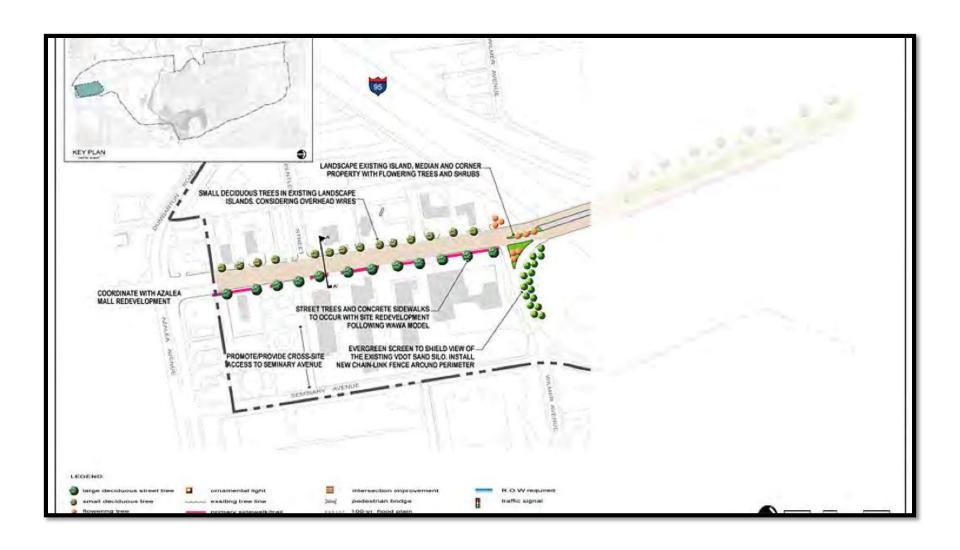
I am writing to offer the opinion that the proposed location for the monument at the intersection of Brook Road and Broad Street, which would significantly alter the unusual, character-defining historic street pattern, would diminish the physical integrity, particularly the historic setting, of the Broad Street Commercial Historic District which is listed on both the Virginia Landmarks Register and National Register of Historic Places. I believe this to be the case regardless of the fact that that the plaza design may incorporate references to the historic street. I realize that there are many factors that you must weigh in reaching a recommendation, but the project's impact to the integrity of the historic district should be fully considered.

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Julie V. Langan

Julie V. Langa: Director

Carol Patterson THINK BIGGER: A UNIFIED PLAN



Carol Patterson Brook Road: Layered in Time Jefferson's Segment 1793

The Harlem of the South 1880-1930

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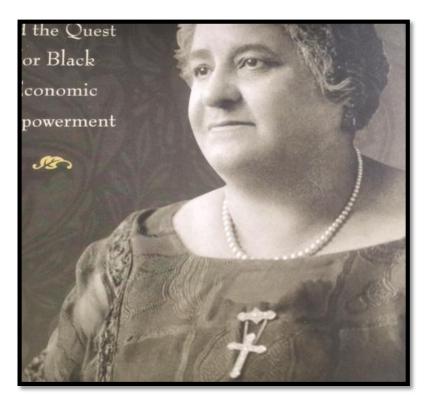
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Maggie Walker's Iconography

" ... the Emporium and the Bank to us is the sprouting acorn – but to your boys and girls, it will be the tall, spreading giant oak affording shelter and protection for a thousand."

Cross, Live Oak, Acorn & Pennies





Brook Road *on down to* Abner Clay Park *Waiting for a Second Miracle*

Walker's bank financed 645 mortgages in greater Jackson Ward that were paid off by 1930. During the first wave of the Great Depression, her bank survived when hundreds failed and 645 families had shelter when countless Americans lost everything.

Brook and Adams



The Triangle Building



The West Side of Brook

Endeavor Studio

The Red doesn't get any better.





The Next Intersection

Two Blocks from Abner Clay Park

Engine House No. 5

Little Amsterdam ... immigrant flavor



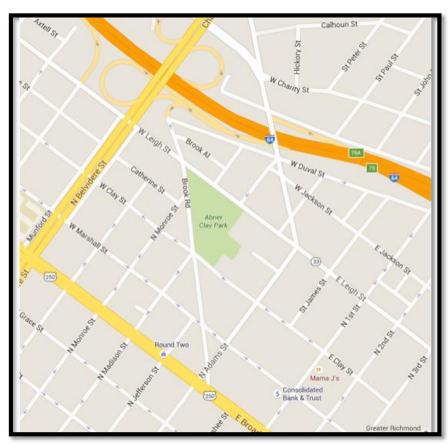


Brook Road Row Houses (east-facing)

approaching Abner Clay Park

Final Approach

Tree Tops of A.C. Park





Brook Road An ICONOGRAPHY that cuts across time

Jefferson's Segment 1793

The Making of the Harlem of the South 1880-1930

The Society of the War of 1812



