

Historic Yorktown Design Committee

Summary of Activities

2009

On behalf of the Historic Yorktown Design Committee, it is my pleasure to submit this report summarizing the activities of the Committee (HYDC) for calendar year 2009. The members of the HYDC who served during calendar year 2009 – Ms. Jennifer Carver and Mr. David Douglas (current members), Mr. Harvey Weinstein (former member), and I – appreciated the opportunity to serve in the capacity entrusted to us by the Board of Supervisors. We also appreciate the service provided by Mr. Robert Andrade, Alternate Member, and his willingness to stay abreast of the proceedings of the HYDC so as to participate when needed.

As we have reviewed and processed the various applications coming before the HYDC we have strived to balance the interests of owners in maintaining and improving their properties with the overarching goal of preserving and enhancing the architectural integrity and appearance of Yorktown. We hope and trust that our efforts have been successful and that the Board and citizens are pleased with the design and appearance of the projects that have been approved under the terms of the Yorktown Historic District and the Yorktown Design Guidelines.

The HYDC meets on an as needed basis when applications are submitted. The Committee met four (4) times in 2009. Five (5) applications for Certificates of Appropriateness were processed and all were approved. These applications are listed and summarized in the attached chart. Also included in this summary listing are the cases that were processed administratively (in accordance with the terms of the Historic District regulations) by the Zoning Administrator.

Again, on behalf of my colleagues on the Historic Yorktown Design Committee, I wish to thank the Board of Supervisors for entrusting us with the responsibility to implement and administer the Historic Yorktown Design Guidelines. We also want to thank the property owners in Yorktown for their commitment to and acceptance of the design guidelines and review process as integral and important components of our collective efforts to protect and preserve the character of our special village.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Application No.	Applicant / Address	Request	Comments / Conditions	Action	Date	Status
38-09	John Davis, 109 Chischiak Watch	Install roll-down storm shutters on three windows facing Ballard Street	Must be of same style as those previously approved and already installed on the waterfront facade	Approved	1/26/09	Completed
39-09	Watermen's Museum, 301 Water Street	Proposed 18 th -century windmill reproduction	Operating, full-sized reproduction of windmill similar to that depicted in historical photos of Windmill Point	Approved	1/26/09	Project abandoned
40-09 - A	Gary Freeman, 120 Ballard Street	Install sliding and French doors to enclosed rear porch	Generally hidden from view; compatible with style of house	Approved*	1/16/09	Applicant sold house and moved; doors have not been installed
40-09	K. E. Neill, Jr. 120 Ballard Street	Proposed 160-square foot garden/tool shed to be located in rear yard	White, vinyl sided "colonial-style" pre-fabricated shed	Approved	10/21/09	Installed
41-09	Angier Brock, 220 Bacon Street	Proposed 150-square foot garden/tool shed to be located in rear yard	Site-built, colonial shed reproduction with hardiplank siding	Approved	10/21/09	Under Construction
42-09	Windmill Point Owners Association, Ambler Street	Proposed steel, 6-panel replacement doors on storage sheds; addition of small, third-story windows on gable ends; single-sidelight replacement doors for D'Eramo and Sotack units; and, same-size/equivalent appearance internal muntins window replacements (vinyl clad) on Sotack and D'Eramo units	Existing wood storage shed doors are in poor condition; gable-end windows will be inconspicuous, but balanced architecturally; single-sidelight door replacement maintains balance/symmetry on either side of center section; vinyl clad windows will be indistinguishable from current wood, which are covered by storm windows.	Approved*	11/6/09	Work underway
43-09	David Bowditch, 702 Main Street	Proposed enclosure of existing front portico with windows and doors	Doors (3) and windows (2) would be placed in existing archways; existing front steps to be retained	Approved	12/16/09	No activity
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44-09	Richard Stacpoole, 121 Alexander Hamilton	Stairs and deck replacement for 2 nd -story of accessory structure; accessory structure siding replacement with Hardiplank	Existing stairs and deck in disrepair - replacement in same style and configuration; existing siding is rotten, existing main house siding is aluminum; Hardiplank on accessory structure is a betterment and will be indistinguishable from wood siding	Approved*	11/25/09	Construction underway
45-09	Thomas Nelson, Jr., 220 Church Street	Install additional brick walkways; install white picket garden enclosure fence in side yard area	Minor actions; fence will match existing picket fence along front property line	Approved*	12/21/09	Pending

* indicates Administrative review/approval