

Design Review Committee
April 9, 2009
The Fell's Point Visitor Center
1724-26 Thames Street, Baltimore, MD 21231

DRC members attending: Jerome Bird, Andrea Drake, Adam Carballo, Anne Hagarty Boyce, John Thompson and secretary Denise Whitman

Regular Session:

6:15 pm 303-307 S Bethel Street Jason Winger

This is a revisit for these three properties. The owner would like to put two story frame additions on 305-307 S. Bethel St. and reconstruct the partial brick addition of 303 S. Bethel St.

The DRC members felt that the additions would add needed living space to the relatively small historic structures and would not impact the historic fabric of the buildings. The owner will using brick, stucco and wood windows in the additions. Stamped plans will be in the files.

Decision: Approved

6:40 pm 1728 Thames St. Susan Singer

This is a a review of a perpendicular hanging sign and a replacement door for this 3 story brick federal styled merchant house. The perpendicular sign will use the currently existing bracket and will hold the approximately 6 square foot sign for "the Ring Store."

The applicant would also like to temporarily replace the front door with a wooden frame, full view glass door to allow customers greater visibility into the shop and increase business. The committee discussed this at length, as the style is inappropriate to the period of the building. The committee felt that a more appropriate 6 panel door would be less conducive to the visual aspect of the costume jewelry business. The DRC members will approve the full view glass door provided that the business owner agree to reinstall the 8 panel wooden door when the business closed.

Decision : Approved

7:00 pm 613 S. Durham St. Mike Burton

This building is a early 2 story brick Victorian town house. It is one of a book matched pair, sharing a n original cornice. The owner of this building would like to remove the formstone, clean and repoint the brick and replace the windows with one over one wood. the owner would like to replace the door with a 6 panel wood door. The owner will retain the currently existing brick window sills, and only replace them (with wood) if they appear to be in poor condition.

Decision- Approved