

Design Review Committee
July 24, 2008
The Fell's Point Visitor Center
808 S. Ann Street, Baltimore, MD 21231

Regular Session

6:00 pm 1618 Eastern Ave

The applicant was not present for the meeting. The owner would like to replace the front door. The current door is a 4 panel wood door with 2 upper lites. The committee approved either replacing the door with same or a six panel wood door.

Decision: Approved

6:15 pm 1716 Eastern Ave Robert Willingham

The applicant was not present for the meeting. The property was reviewed for the removal of the formstone from the front facade. The applicant will be advised to return for approval of mortar, sign placement, and any other facade work. The owner will be encouraged to apply for a Facade Improvement Grant.

Decision: Approved for formstone removal only

6:40 pm 307 S. Broadway Edward Johnson

This is a request by the signmaker for a flat sign on the front of the building. The size of the sign is 19" by 138" (about 18 square feet.) Half of the sign is for the business, "Sin Fronteras," and the other half is an advertisement for Moneygram. The DRC members reiterated policy that storefront signs are for the store name only, not general advertising. It was also noted that the current storefront banner sign that covers one side of the store is not legal.

The building is a 3 story painted brick Victorian building with a recently constructed wood storefront. The storefront appears to have been constructed without permits. The owner needs to get approval from DRC and CHAP for the facade work that has already been completed.

Decision: Not approved.

7:00 pm 1711 Aliceanna St. Todd Lawrence

This is a fire damaged 3 story brick building with an ornate Victorian storefront. The owner is presented plans to repair and rehabilitate the existing storefront and rebuild the showcase windows. Currently the windows are an overhanging type. The owner will be extending the window base down to the ground to provide additional support for the showcase windows. Plans are to replace the current door with a split door. Each door will have an upper arched pane window and wooden panel lower door. The first floor cornice roof will be repaired and replaced in some places where badly fire damaged. Part of the 3rd story tin cornice is missing and will be replaced. The owner will apply half round molding over the existing unfinished 2nd and 3rd story window surrounds to duplicate the style of a Baltimore

Bullnose window frame.

The owner picked 3 colors from the Benjamin Moore Historic color palette - Naragansett Green HC-157; Hodley Red HC-65; Putnam Ivory HC-39.

The owner was given Facade Improvement Grant information and will be emailed information for City and State Tax credits.

Decision: Approved