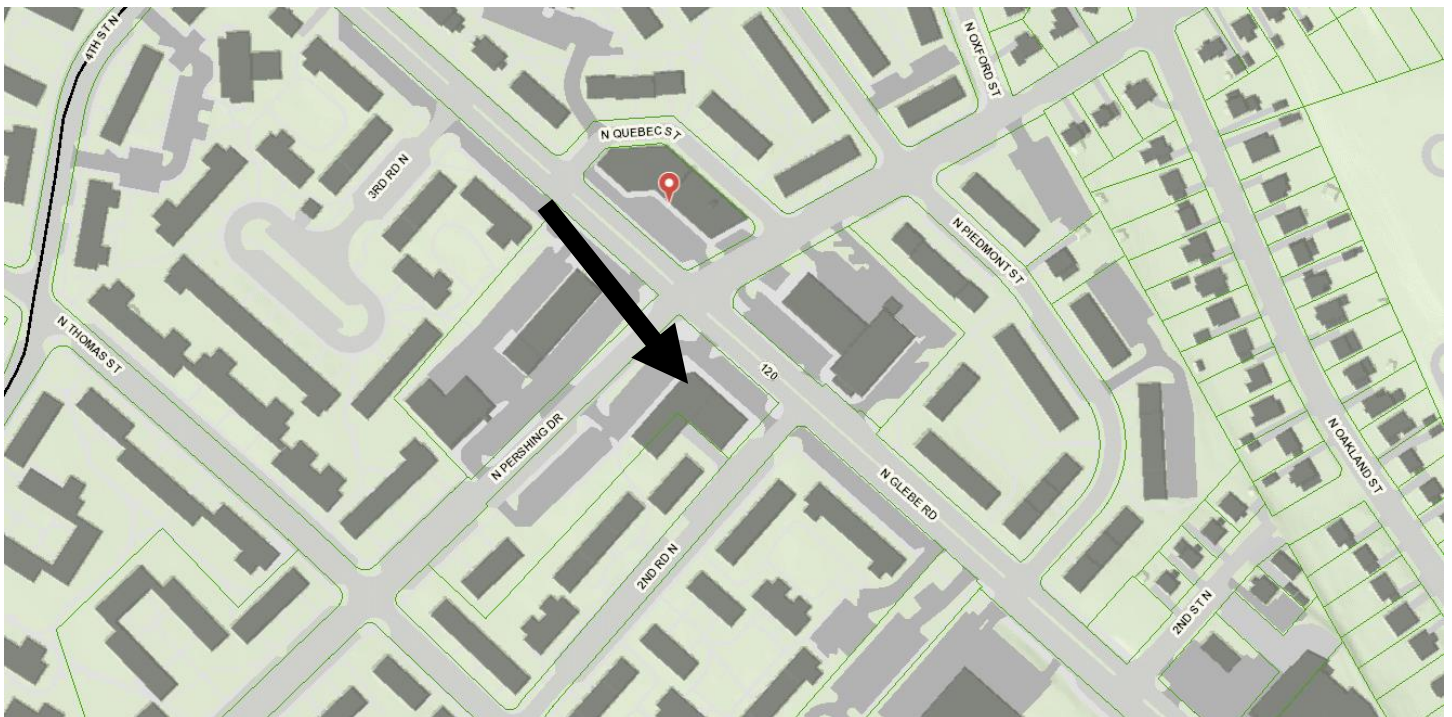


Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board

Arlington County, Virginia

HALRB Case 18-16 (HP1800033)



A request by Ballston Retail, Inc., owner of the Buckingham Shopping Center in the Buckingham Village Historic District, to alter the design of the sign faces at 256 North Glebe Road.



CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS STAFF REPORT

TO: HALRB
FROM: John Liebertz, Historic Preservation Planner
DATE: August 9, 2018
SUBJECT: 256 North Glebe Road, CoA 18-16, Buckingham Village Historic District

Background Information

Designed by Henry Wright, Allan Kamstra, and Albert Lueders, Buckingham Shopping Center was built as a component of the planned residential community between 1937 and 1946. The complex consists of numerous building at the intersection of North Glebe Road and North Pershing Drive. The commercial buildings, evoking the idea of a traditional village center, was one of the final examples in the Washington, D.C. area of separating stores by a street, which was a popular design among planners in the 1920s. The commercial properties are contributing resources to the Buckingham Village National Register Historic District.

Proposal

The applicant proposes to amend the design of the three existing sign faces and replace lighting components with high-efficiency, LED lighting. Per the Buckingham Village Design Guidelines, exterior repairs and renovations that change the design, materials, color, or size of signage require a CoA.

DRC Review

The DRC heard this case at its August 2018 meeting, recommended approval of this application, and asked that this case be placed on the consent agenda for the August 15, 2018, HALRB hearing.

Recommendation

The three signs would remain intact, except for an alteration to the design of the sign face. The existing size, location, and hardware would remain unchanged. The HPP staff finds that the proposal continues to meet the intent of Chapter 11: Guidelines for Commercial Areas: Signage of the *Buckingham Design Guidelines* and recommends approval.



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**RE: Design Review Committee Report
Buckingham Shopping Center
256 North Glebe Road
Certificate of Appropriateness 18-16
Buckingham Village Historic District**

Mr. Pepper:

The Design Review Committee (DRC) of the Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board (HALRB) reviewed your application on behalf of Ballston Retail, LLC., at its August 1, 2018, meeting.

The DRC recommended that your item be placed on the consent agenda for the HALRB meeting on August 15, 2018. You do not need to be present at the meeting. All additional requests will have to return to the DRC for further review.

The agenda and materials for the HALRB meeting will be posted online at:
<https://commissions.arlingtonva.us/historical-affairs-landmark-review-board/>

If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please do not hesitate to call the Historic Preservation Program Office at 703-228-3549.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Liebertz".

John Liebertz
Historic Preservation Staff
cc: Serena Bolliger