May 2021 BAR Decision

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To: Erin Hannegan <eh@mitchellmatthews.com>

Certificate of Appropriateness Application

BAR 21-05-01

503 Rugby Road, Tax Parcel 050052000

Rugby Road-University Circle-Venable Neighborhood ADC District

Owner: Epsilon Sigma House Corps of Kappa Kappa Gamma

Applicant: Erin Hannegan, Mitchell Matthews Architects

Project: Modify approved design - entry light fixtures; trim at sections of south and north facades; screening at mechanical

units; fence/wall at NW corner.

Dear Erin,

On Tuesday, May 18, the Charlottesville Board of Architectural Review reviewed the above-referenced project. Please accept this email as formal acknowledgment of the BAR's decision. The project was approved as part of the consent agenda. Please find the motion to approve the consent agenda, as well as the motion to approve your project from the staff report below:

Cheri Lewis moves to approve the consent agenda. James Zehmer seconds motion.

Motion passes (7-0).

Having considered the standards set forth within the City Code, including the ADC District Design Guidelines, I move to find that the proposed design modifications at 503 Rugby Road satisfy the BAR's criteria and are compatible with this property and other properties in the Rugby Road-University Circle-Venable Neighborhood ADC District, and that the BAR approves the application as submitted.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

All the best,

Robert

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City of Charlottesville Board of Architectural Review Staff Report May 18, 2021



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Background

Year Built: 1980

District: Rugby Road-University Circle-Venable Neighborhood ADC District

Status: Non-contributing

A two-story frame house occupied the subject parcel for most of the twentieth century and accommodated a noteworthy boarding house between 1928 and 1961, operated by proprietor Mary Speed. The boarding house was abandoned for a decade, damaged by fire, and was finally demolished in 1976 to make way for a new chapter house for the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. The present building was designed in a modern idiom by Johnson, Craven, and Gibson Architects and was completed in 1980. The concrete-block, brick-clad structure communicates its contemporary design through a split-gable roof, restrained ornament, and irregular footprint.

Prior BAR Reviews

April 16, 2019 - Preliminary Discussion

<u>August 20, 2019</u> - BAR found that the requested Special Use Permit for increased density and modified setbacks would not adversely impact the ADC, with the understanding that the final design and details will require BAR review and approval.

September 2019 – (BAR 19-09-03) BAR approved CoA (8-1, Lahendro opposed) for renovation of existing building. Building footprint to be expanded, including infill of southeast corner and west addition, elevated over rear parking area. Numerous exterior alterations will communicate a significantly different design idiom, including a new primary entrance on the façade (east elevation); a symmetrical five-bay composition; an entry porch and stacked side porches;

pergolas; French windows on the east elevation; casement windows throughout the building; an expanded and articulated third floor; paired interior chimneys; a wide box cornice and a low-slung hipped roof. The applicant proposes to paint the existing brick cladding with white masonry paint and use cementitious lap siding to distinguish the enlarged third floor. The roof will be pre-finished standing seam metal in a charcoal color. The landscape plan includes a front lawn enclosed by low hedges; bluestone terraces and walks; a modified rear parking area paved in asphalt; and various trees and shrubs planted along the building's sides.

<u>June 16, 2020</u> – BAR approved CoA for modifications to the design approved in September 2019, BAR 19-09-03. (See Appendix for list of approved changes.)

Application

• Applicant submittal: Mitchell Matthews Architects & Planners drawings 503 Rugby Road, Kapp Kappa Gamma Sorority, Board of Architectural Review: CoA Revisions, dated April 27, 2021: Cover with sheets 2 – 8.

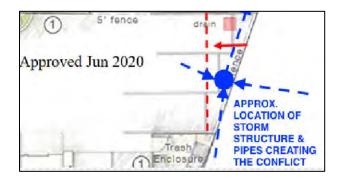
CoA request for modifications to the design approved in September 2019 (BAR 19-09-03). Proposed modification summarized in the Discussion, with staff comments inserted below each.

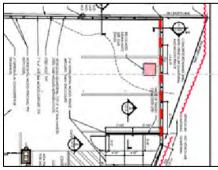
Discussion

Staff recommends approval as a Consent Agenda item.

Proposed modification summarized as follows.

- Alternative entry light fixture. (Approved fixture is unavailable.)
 - o Staff: No issues. Proposed is dimmable, CT: 2,700k, CRI: 80
- Install trim at section of south façade to conceal existing concrete slab and metal beam
 - o <u>Staff</u>: No issues. Necessary to conceal an unforeseen, existing condition. The proposed profile is appropriate and consistent with
- Trim at section of north façade to conceal existing metal beam.
 - o <u>Staff</u>: No issues. Solution is appropriate and replicates a prior condition.
- Screening at mechanical units at north elevation. (Units taller than planned.)
 - o Staff: No issues. North elevation is at the side, not visible from roads.
- Fence line modified due to existing stormwater structure. (See sheet 6 of submittal.)
 - Staff: No issues, this is at the rear, NW corner of parcel. Fence line moved to avoid the structure and provide a vehicular guardrail—a low concrete wall at the fence. The triangular portion will be mulched. (Below: Prior plan, with notes, and the proposed change. Red line is the revised fence location.)





Suggested Motions

<u>Approval</u>: Having considered the standards set forth within the City Code, including the ADC District Design Guidelines, I move to find that the proposed design modifications at 503 Rugby Road satisfy the BAR's criteria and are compatible with this property and other properties in the Rugby Road-University Circle-Venable Neighborhood ADC District, and that the BAR approves the application as submitted[.]

...as submitted [with the following modifications...]

<u>Denial</u>: Having considered the standards set forth within the City Code, including the ADC District Design Guidelines, I move to find that the proposed design modifications at 503 Rugby Road do not satisfy the BAR's criteria and guidelines and are not compatible with this property and other properties in the Rugby Road-University Circle-Venable Neighborhood ADC District, and for the following reasons the BAR denies the application as submitted: ...

Criteria, Standards, and Guidelines

Review Criteria Generally

Sec. 34-284(b) of the City Code states that, in considering a particular application the BAR shall approve the application unless it finds:

- (1) That the proposal does not meet specific standards set forth within this division or applicable provisions of the Design Guidelines established by the board pursuant to Sec.34-288(6); and
- (2) The proposal is incompatible with the historic, cultural or architectural character of the district in which the property is located or the protected property that is the subject of the application.

Pertinent Standards for Review of Construction and Alterations include:

- (1) Whether the material, texture, color, height, scale, mass and placement of the proposed addition, modification or construction are visually and architecturally compatible with the site and the applicable design control district;
- (2) The harmony of the proposed change in terms of overall proportion and the size and placement of entrances, windows, awnings, exterior stairs and signs;
- (3) The Secretary of the Interior Standards for Rehabilitation set forth within the Code of Federal Regulations (36 C.F.R. §67.7(b)), as may be relevant;
- (4) The effect of the proposed change on the historic district neighborhood;
- (5) The impact of the proposed change on other protected features on the property, such as gardens, landscaping, fences, walls and walks;
- (6) Whether the proposed method of construction, renovation or restoration could have an adverse impact on the structure or site, or adjacent buildings or structures;
- (7) Any applicable provisions of the City's Design Guidelines.

Pertinent Guidelines for Site Design and Elements

C. Walls and Fences

- 1) Maintain existing materials such as stone walls, hedges, wooden picket fences, and wrought-iron fences.
- 2) When a portion of a fence needs replacing, salvage original parts for a prominent location.
- 3) Match old fencing in material, height, and detail.

- 4) If it is not possible to match old fencing, use a simplified design of similar materials and height.
- 5) For new fences, use materials that relate to materials in the neighborhood.
- 6) Take design cues from nearby historic fences and walls.
- 7) Chain-link fencing, split rail fences, and vinyl plastic fences should not be used.
- 8) Traditional concrete block walls may be appropriate.
- 9) Modular block wall systems or modular concrete block retaining walls are strongly discouraged but may be appropriate in areas not visible from the public right-of-way.
- 10) If street-front fences or walls are necessary or desirable, they should not exceed four (4) feet in height from the sidewalk or public right-of-way and should use traditional materials and design.
- 11) Residential privacy fences may be appropriate in side or rear yards where not visible from the primary street.
- 12) Fences should not exceed six (6) feet in height in the side and rear yards.
- 13) Fence structures should face the inside of the fenced property.
- 14) Relate commercial privacy fences to the materials of the building. If the commercial property adjoins a residential neighborhood, use a brick or painted wood fence or heavily planted screen as a buffer.
- 15) Avoid the installation of new fences or walls if possible in areas where there are no are no fences or walls and yards are open.
- 16) Retaining walls should respect the scale, materials and context of the site and adjacent properties.
- 17) Respect the existing conditions of the majority of the lots on the street in planning new construction or a rehabilitation of an existing site.

D. Lighting

- 1) <u>In residential areas</u>, use fixtures that are understated and compatible with the residential quality of the surrounding area and the building while providing subdued illumination.
- 2) Choose light levels that provide for adequate safety yet do not overly emphasize the site or building. Often, existing porch lights are sufficient.
- 3) <u>In commercial areas</u>, avoid lights that create a glare. High intensity commercial lighting fixtures must provide full cutoff.
- 4) Do not use numerous "crime" lights or bright floodlights to illuminate a building or site when surrounding lighting is subdued.
- 5) In the downtown and along West Main Street, consider special lighting of key landmarks and facades to provide a focal point in evening hours.
- 6) Encourage merchants to leave their display window lights on in the evening to provide extra illumination at the sidewalk level.
- 7) Consider motion-activated lighting for security.

H. Utilities and Other Site Appurtenances

- 1) Plan the location of overhead wires, utility poles and meters, electrical panels, antennae, trash containers, and exterior mechanical units where they are least likely to detract from the character of the site.
- 2) Screen utilities and other site elements with fences, walls, or plantings.
- 3) Encourage the installation of utility services underground.
- 4) Antennae and communication dishes should be placed in inconspicuous rooftop locations, not in a front yard.

5) Screen all rooftop mechanical equipment with a wall of material harmonious with the building or structure.

Pertinent Guidelines for New Construction and Additions include:

O. Details & Decoration

- 1) Building detail and ornamentation should be consistent with and related to the architecture of the surrounding context and district.
- 2) The mass of larger buildings may be reduced using articulated design details.
- 3) Pedestrian scale may be reinforced with details.

Appendix

Modifications approved June 2020

Proposed modification summarized as follows.

- Replace the brick veneer on concrete retaining wall with painted stamped brick formwork.
- Reduce height of Dining Terrace site wall adjacent to the parking space to 4' in lieu of 5'.
- Replace concrete pavers with scored concrete at dining terrace.
- Replace the bluestone pavers in the sunken front yard along the site wall with grass.
- Replace the bluestone paver walkway with crushed stone in North side yard. Porch to remain as bluestone.
- Pave all parking spaces with asphalt in lieu of concrete.
- Removal of (10) L-2 step light fixtures.
- Delete the pergola over the lower side terrace.
- Delete/defer pergola over Kappa beach. Proposed as an add alternate to retain.
- Delete (2) sets of shutters from West elevation (back of building).
- Delete (2) sets of shutters from North elevation (side of building).
- Modify South facing window wall to raise sill of windows at 2nd floor lounge.
- Substitute asphalt shingles for standing seam metal roof. Proposed as an add alternate to revert back.
- Add window at House Director unit entry porch on front East elevation.
- Add mechanical louver, required for ventilation, under overhang at rear West elevation.
- At Parlor terrace, replace low wall with railing.

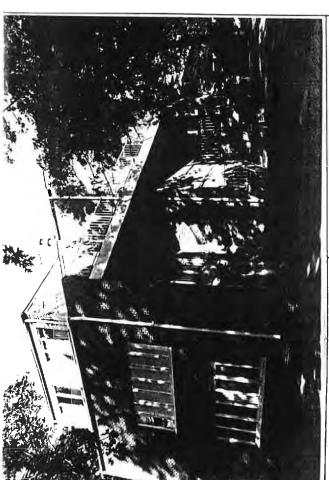


VIRGINIA HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION HISTORIC DISTRICT SURVEY FORM

File No. 104-130 Negative no(s). 7229; 7298

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Town/City Charlotte	sville		
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Miscellaneous descriptive information (plan, exterior and interior decoration, cornice/eave type, window type and trim, chimneys, additions, alterations)

While this sorority house is in a modern idiom, it retains the scale, texture, colors and articulation of the older buildings in neighborhood, making a good addition to the streetscape.

Historical information

Built in 1979 as a sorority house, this building stands on the site of a two-story stuccoed (frame house erected in the early 20th century. This older house was damaged by fire in 1972 after plans were announced for a new apartment house on the site. It was finally demolished in 1976.

Source Real Estate Dept.; Sanborn maps; Daily Progress

Surveyed by Jeff O'Dell, VHLC

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Board of Architectural Review (BAR) Certificate of Appropriateness

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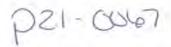
Please submit ten (10) hard copies and one (1) digital copy of application form and all attachments.

Please include application fee as follows: New construction project \$375; Demolition of a contributing structure \$375; Appeal of BAR decision \$125; Additions and other projects requiring BAR approval \$125; Administrative approval \$100. Make checks payable to the City of Charlottesville.

The BAR meets the third Tuesday of the month.

Deadline for submittals is Tuesday 3 weeks prior to next BAR meeting by 3:30 p.m.

Owner Name_Epsilon Sigma House Corps of Kappa Kappa Gamma) for KI	
Project Name/Description Kappa Kappa Gamma - 503 Rugby Roa	Parcel Number_050052000		
Project Property Address 503 Rugby Road			
Applicant Information	Signature of Applicant		
Address: P.O. Box 5603, Charlottesville, VA 22905	I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct.		
Email: eh@mitchellmatthews.com Phone: (W) 434-979-7550 x208 (C) 215-266-6943	Ering Haumecan 4/27/ Signature Date	21	
	Erin R. Hannegan	21	
Property Owner Information (if not applicant)	Print Name Date	4	
Address: 3466 Keswick Road, Keswick, VA 22947	Property Owner Permission (if not applicant) I have read this application and hereby give my consent	t to	
Email: cbrown1200@gmail.com	its submission.		
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Fee paid: 125 Cash/Ck. # 1020	Conditions of approval:		
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503 RUGBY ROAD

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA SORORITY

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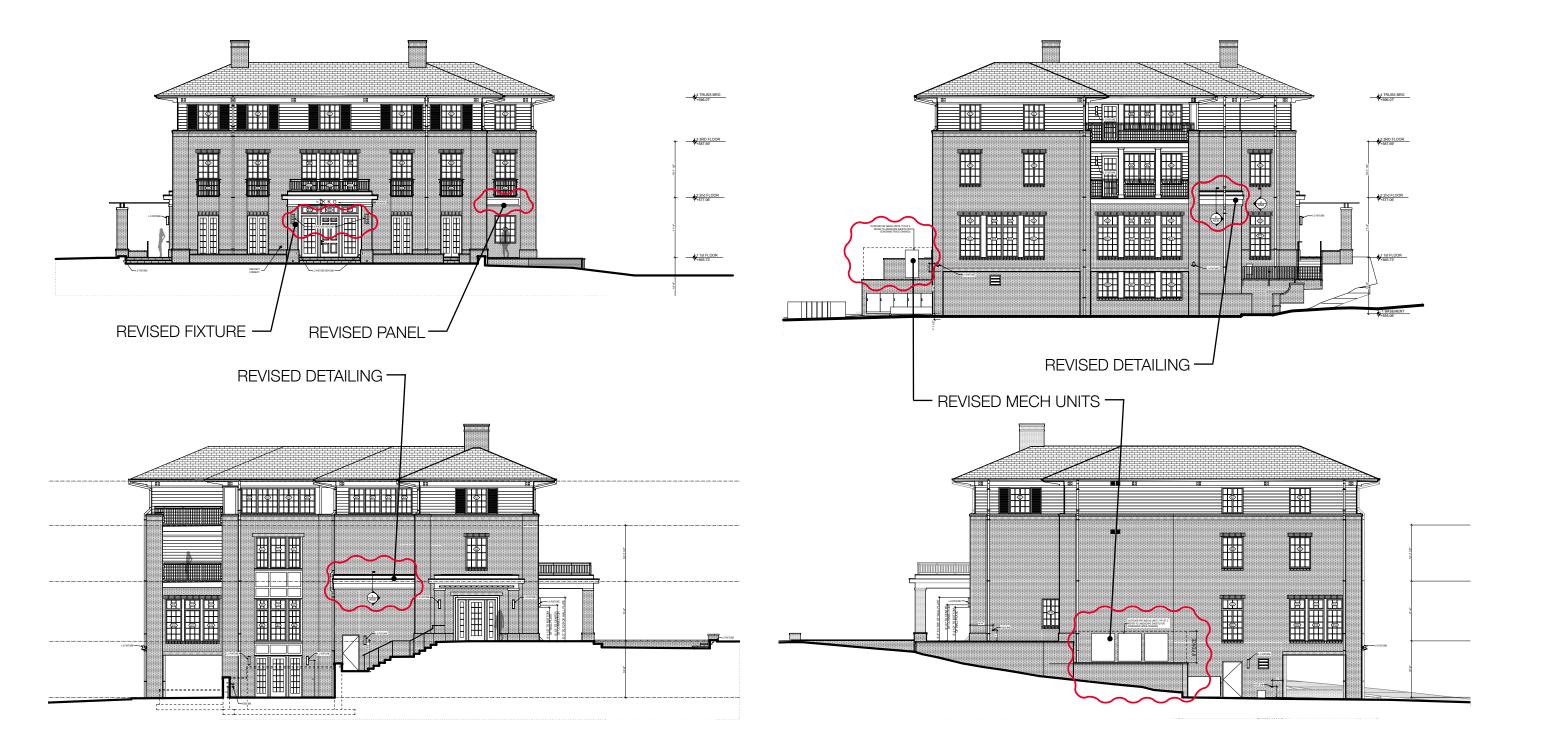
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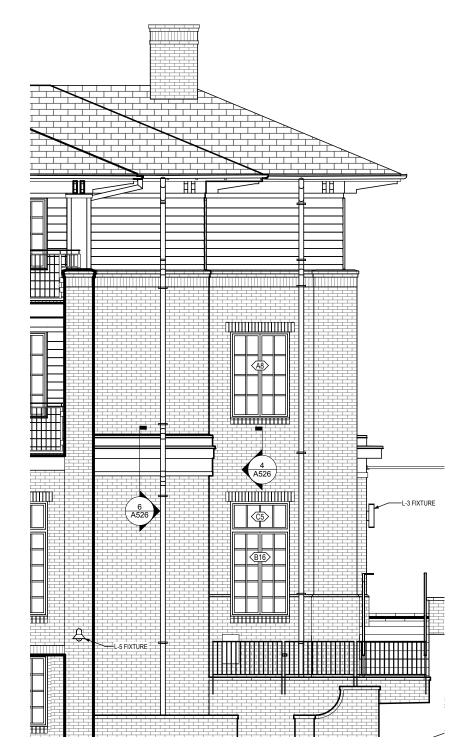
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ELEVATIONS



DURING THE COURSE OF DEMOLITION, FOLLOWING REMOVAL OF THE EXISTING BALCONY (SHOWN AT RIGHT) ON THE SOUTH FACADE, THE AS-BUILT CONDITION WAS DISCOVERED TO BE DIFFERENT THAN THE AS-BUILT CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS THAT WERE USED FOR THE BASIS OF DESIGN. AS A RESULT, A REVISED DETAIL MUST BE USED TO CONCEAL THE EXPOSED STEEL AND CUT EDGE OF CONCRETE BALCONY SLAB. REFER TO ELEVATIONS ON PREVIOUS PAGE, ABOVE, AND DETAILS ON NEXT PAGE FOR PROPOSED REVISION.



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WEST FACE OF STAIR

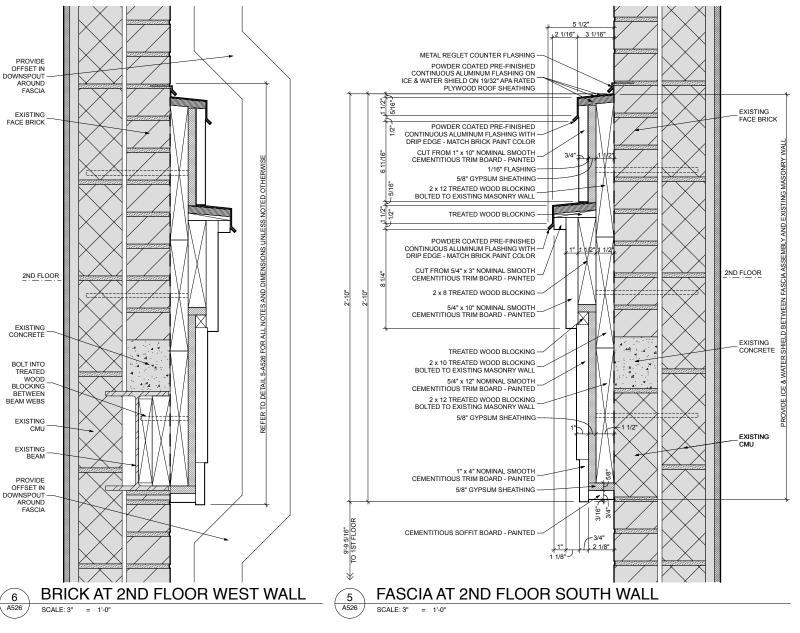




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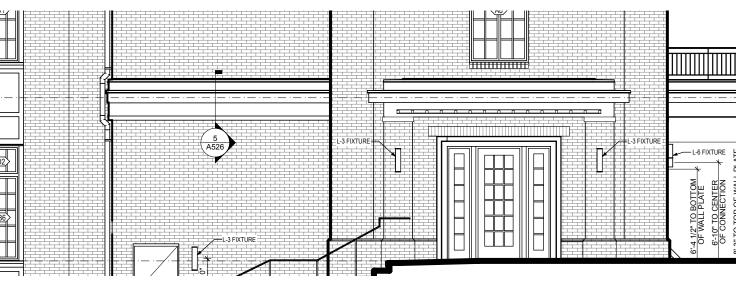
STAIR TOWER REVISED DETAIL

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REVISED DETAILING TO MIMIC THE CONDITION AT THE NEARBY SOUTH ENTRY DOOR, REFER TO ENLARGED PARTIAL ELEVATION AND 3D MODEL VIEW BELOW.





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BRICK AT 2ND FLOOR WEST WALL

2ND FLOOR

THIN BRICK AT EXISTING BEAM WEB

ATTACH BRICK TIE TO EXISTING BEAM

ATTACH BRICK TIE TO EXISTING BEAM THIN BRICK AT

EXISTING BEAM WEB

FACE BRICK-

STAIR TOWER REVISED DETAIL

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FACE BRICK -PAINTED FABRIC FLASHING -STEEL ANGLE -REFER TO STRUCTURAL

2 x 6 WOOD FRAMING BEHIND TRIM BOARDS

5/4 x 4 NOMINAL CEMENTITIOUS TRIM BOARD - PAINT COLOR -TBD PER BAR APPROVA

5/4 x 4 NOMINAL CEMENTITIOUS TRIM BOARD - PAINT COLOR TBD PER BAR APPROVAL

5/4 NOMINAL CEMENTITIOUS TRIM BOARD - PAINT COLOR TBD PER BAR APPROVAL

5/16" CEMENTITIOUS

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EXISTING CONDITION

POST DEMOLITION

AN OVERZEALOUS DEMOLITION CREW MISTAKENLY REMOVED THE CAST STONE LINTEL PICTURED ABOVE, THAT WAS ORIGINALLY INTENDED TO REMAIN. (IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A UNIQUE CONDITION.) THE REVISED PROPOSED DETAIL IS A HARDIE BOARD PANEL WITH TRIM SIMILAR TO THAT USED ON THE SOUTH FACADE.

REVISED DESIGN

PROPOSED PANEL AND TRIM TO BE PAINTED TO MATCH WINDOWS AND RAILINGS, SIMILAR TO SOUTH FACADE, SEE ABOVE ENLARGED **ELEVATION AND 3D MODEL VIEW AND** SECTION DETAIL AT LEFT.

(NOTE: PLANTINGS NOT SHOWN IN 3D VIEW)

REVISED DETAIL AT SIDE ENTRY ON EAST FACADE

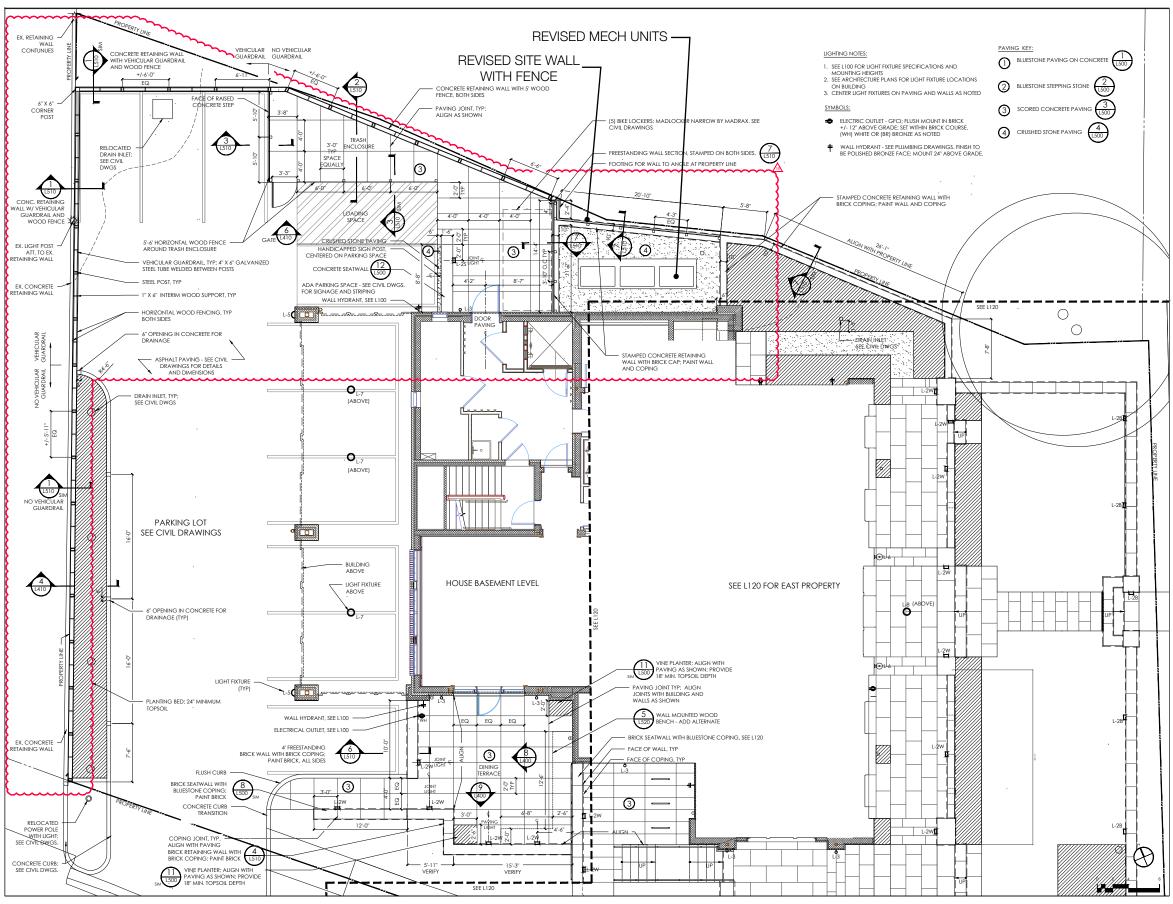
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(CONSISTENT WITH THE EXISTING
LOCATION OF EQUIPMENT), AT THE
NORTH SIDE OF THE BUILDING
AT AN INTERMEDIATE TERRACE.
A FENCE SCREENING THE
EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN ADDED. THE
SITE WALL IS REVISED, TO FOLLOW
THE PROPERTY LINE TO PROVIDE
CLEARANCE AT THE UNITS.

SITE WALL AND FENCE LOCATIONS
FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE
NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE
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AGREE WITH REQUIRED STORM
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COORDINATING AROUND
AN EXISTING MANHOLE AND
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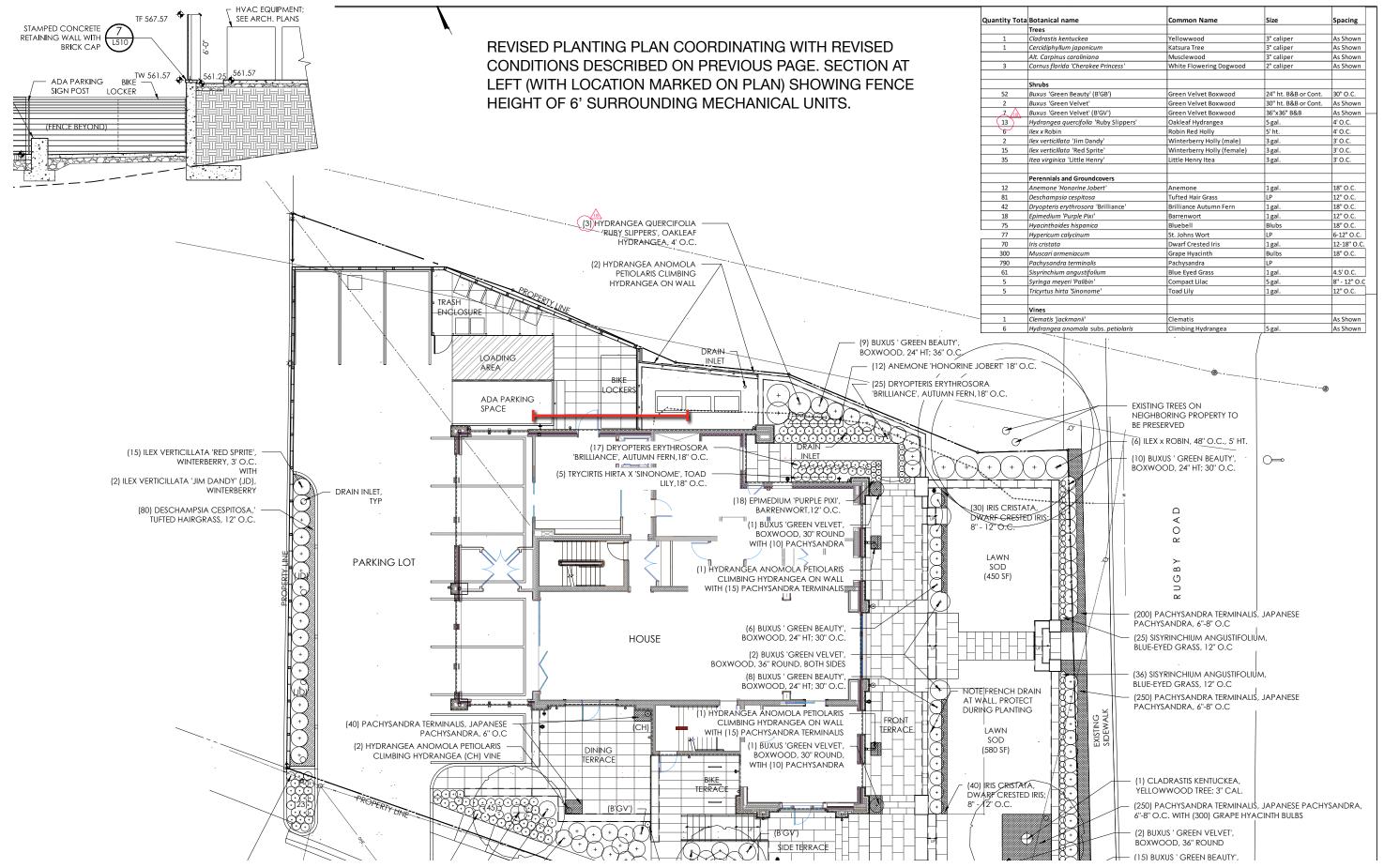


EXISTING CONDITION AT SAME LOCATION AS PROPOSED MECH UNITS SHOWN ABOVE



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REVISED SITE PLAN



REVISED PLANTING PLAN

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LED wall luminaire

Material: Luminaire housing constructed of cast bronze and copper. Stainless steel fasteners. Designed for installation directly over a standard 4" octagonal wiring box.

Glass: Hand-blown, three-ply opal glass with screw neck and flat crystal glass enclosure.

Electrical: 6.3W LED luminaire, 8 total system watts, -20°C start temperature. Integral 120V through 277V electronic LED driver, 0-10V dimming. LED module(s) are available from factory for easy replacement. LED color temperature is 3000K with a >80 CRI.

Note: LEDs supplied with luminaire. Due to the dynamic nature of LED technology, LED luminaire data on this sheet is subject to change at the discretion of BEGA-US. For the most current technical data, please refer to www.bega-us.com.

Finish: Natural cast bronze and copper finish. Time and weather factors will create the natural patina of bronze and copper.

CSA certified to U.S. and Canadian standards, suitable for wet locations. Protection class IP44

Weight: 18.7 lbs

Luminaire Lumens: 326



Type: L-6

Voltage: 6.3WLED 120V

Options: 3000K Color temp

Project: Kappa Kappa Gamma House

Color: Natural bronze and copper

BEGA Product: 31-228

Modified:

Submitted by Lighting Environments

LIGHTING ENVIRONMENTS

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KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA HOUSE-UVA Architect: Mitchell Matthews Architects (Charlottesville)

Catalog Number:
31 099 K27

Notes:

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LED wall luminaires

Material: Luminaire housing constructed of copper, cast bronze and brass. Stainless steel fasteners. Designed for installation directly to a standard 4" octagonal wiring box.

Glass: Hand-blown, three-ply opal glass with screw neck.

Electrical: 8.4W LED luminaire, 10.2 total system watts, -20°C start temperature. Integral 120V through 277V electronic LED driver, 0-10V dimming. LED module(s) are available from factory for easy replacement. LED color temperature is 3000K with a >80 CRI

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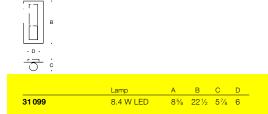
CSA certified to U.S. and Canadian standards, suitable for wet

locations. Protection class IP44

Weight: 15.9 lbs

Luminaire Lumens: 447

SELECTED REPLACEMENT





Type: L-6

Project: Kappa Kappa Gamma House

Color: Natural bronze and copper

Modified: 2700K Color temp

BEGA Product: 31-099

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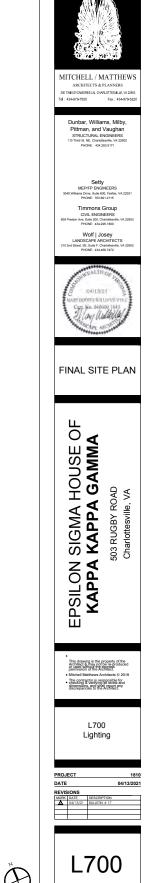
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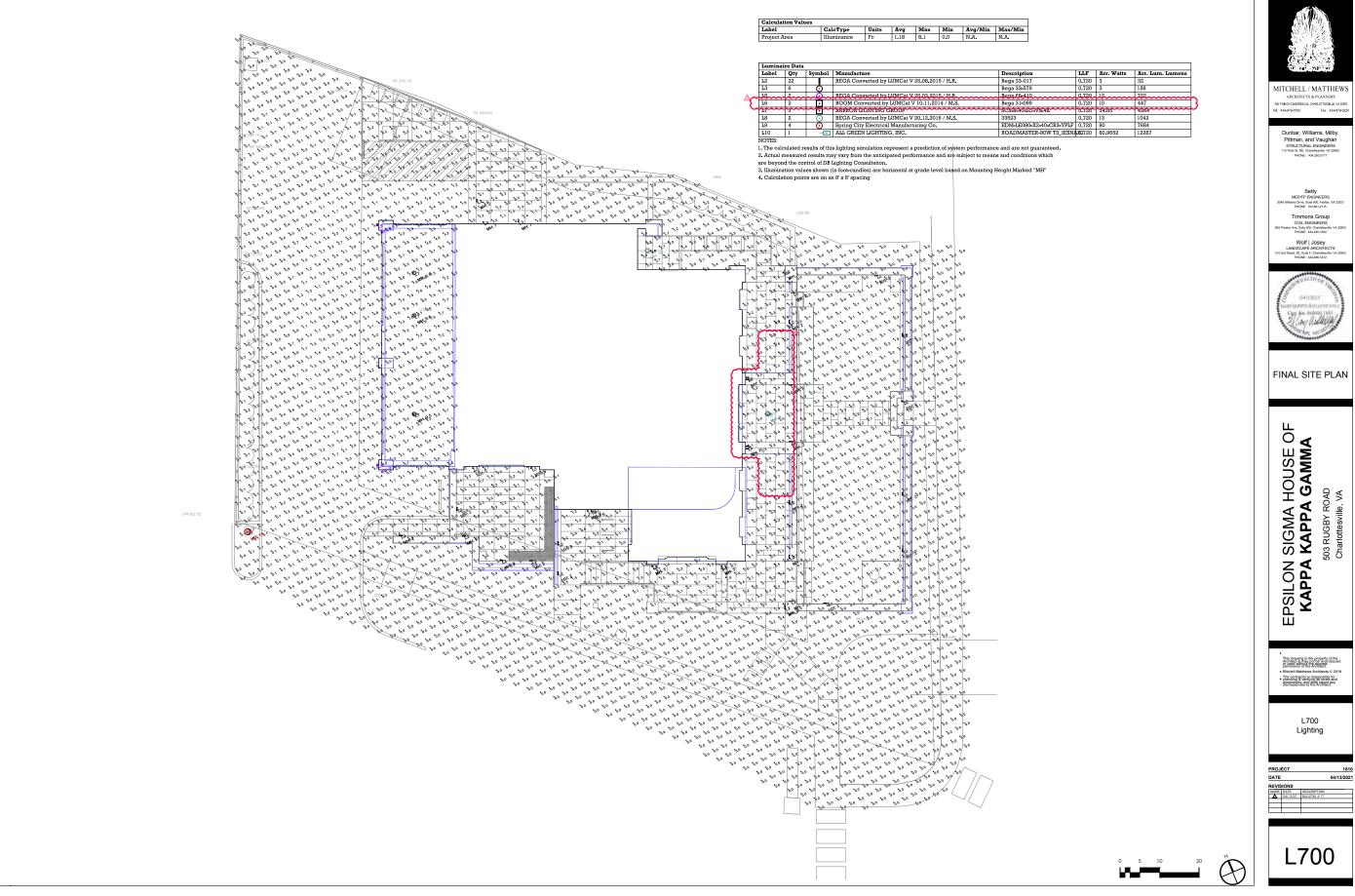
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31 228 6.3 W LED

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