From: Scala, Mary Joy

Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 2:17 PM **To:** Gerry Starsia (gstarsia@gmail.com)

Subject: FW: BAR Action - 401 Altamont Circle - May 16, 2017

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Gerald Starsia 401 Altamont Circle Charlottesville, VA 22902

RE: Certificate of Appropriateness Application BAR 16-10-04 401 Altamont Circle Tax Parcel 330111000 Marianne and Gerry Starsia, Owner/Applicant Landscape Plan

Dear Applicant,

The above referenced projects were discussed before a meeting of the City of Charlottesville Board of Architectural Review (BAR) on May 16, 2017. The following action was taken:

Schwarz moved: Having considered the standards set forth within the City Code, including City Design Guidelines for Site Design, I move to find that the proposed solutions for the curb and storm drainage satisfy the BAR's criteria and are compatible with this property and other properties in the North Downtown ADC District, and that the BAR approves the application as submitted.

Gastinger seconded.

Approved 9-0.

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Background

There are three remaining issues at Gerald Starsia's house at 401 Altamont Circle:

- 1) The rounded curb behind sidewalk was installed badly- skim coat in places, wildly varying width, poor workmanship;
- 2) A storm drainage solution is needed because the roof drains may not discharge directly onto the City sidewalk, and there are no storm drains in this area;
- 3) The parking pavers extend two feet into the ten foot alley on the east side, causing his parked cars to block the alley, and causing cars using the alley to drive onto the property on the east side to avoid driving over the pavers. This is a private issue currently being addressed in court.

In order to resolve the first two issues, the landscape contractor, Jeff Howe, will be available to explain the situation, so the BAR can make a decision.

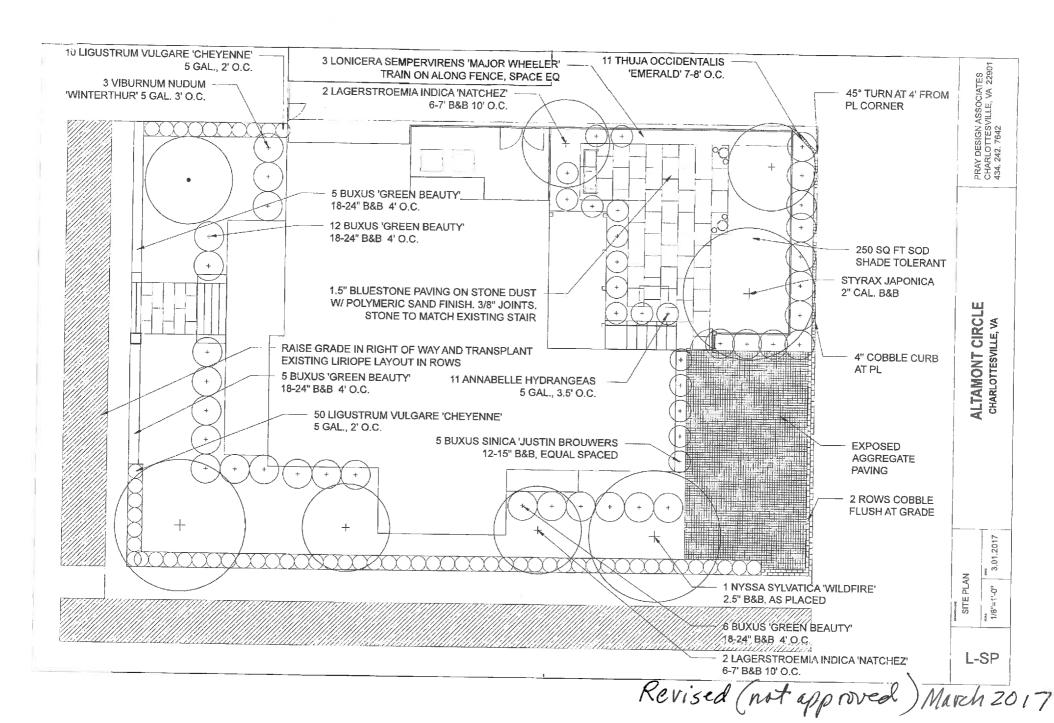
The contractor was trying to repair and replicate what was there, but the best solution at this point may be to reconstruct the entire curb. It was suggested that they look at the curb that was replaced opposite on High Street at the Episcopalian Church.

The plan to handle the storm water is to add a gravel filled trench behind the new hedge ... the City engineers have worked with him and it seems like a reasonable solution. The water would then sheet flow toward the alley/High Street.

FYI Attached are the action letter and plan the BAR approved in November 2016, and the revised plan (not yet approved) that was circulated to the BAR in March.







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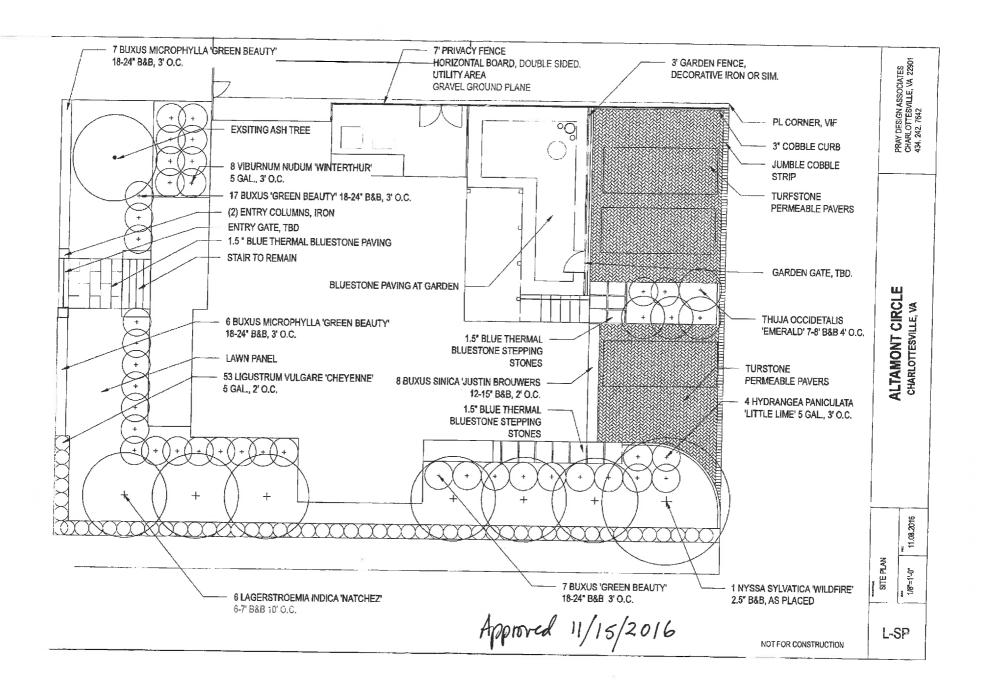
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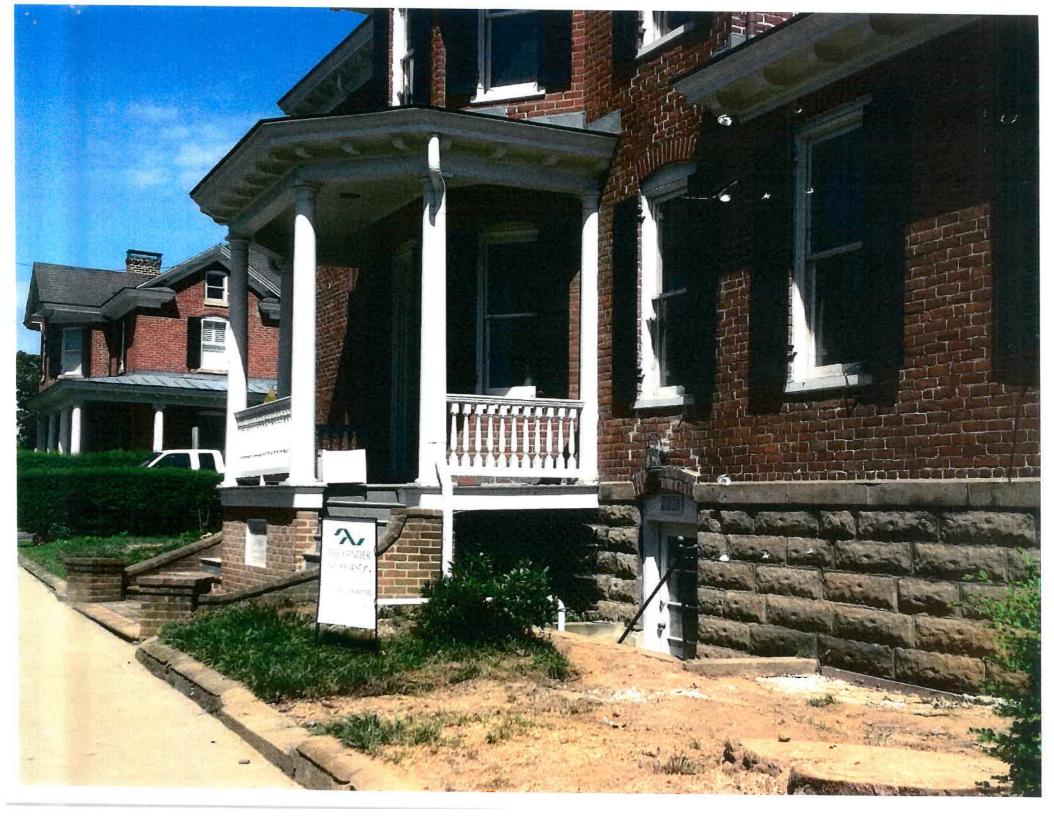
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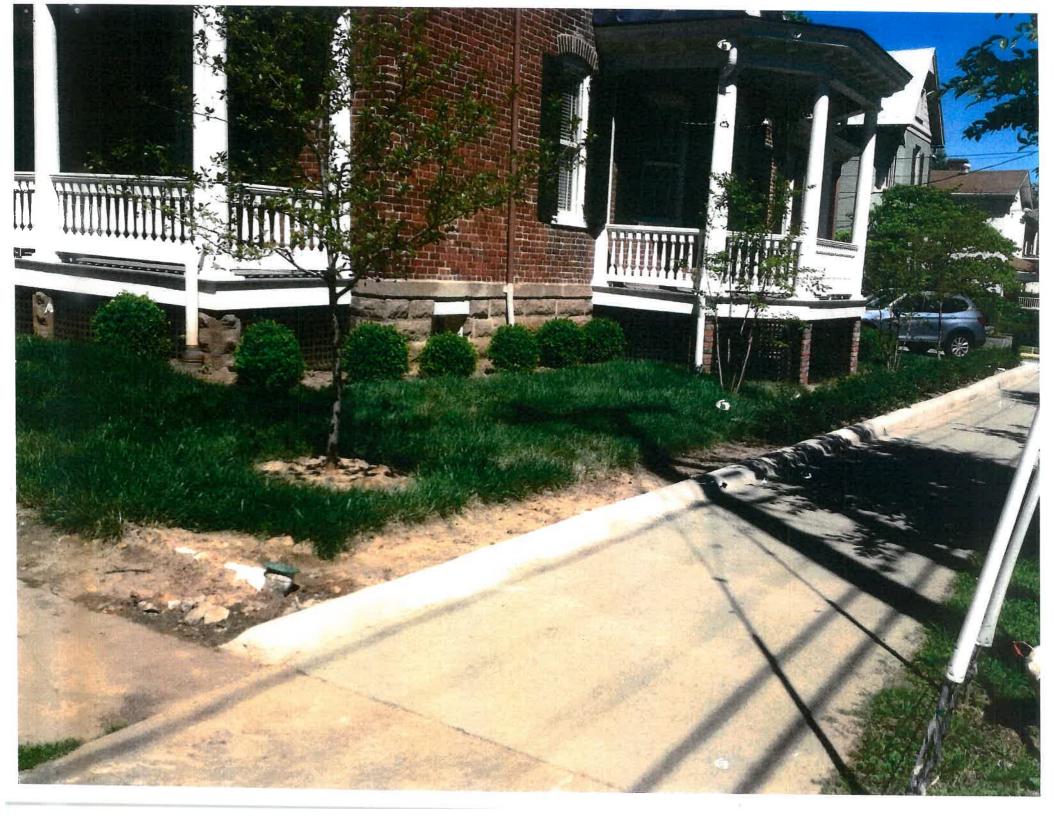


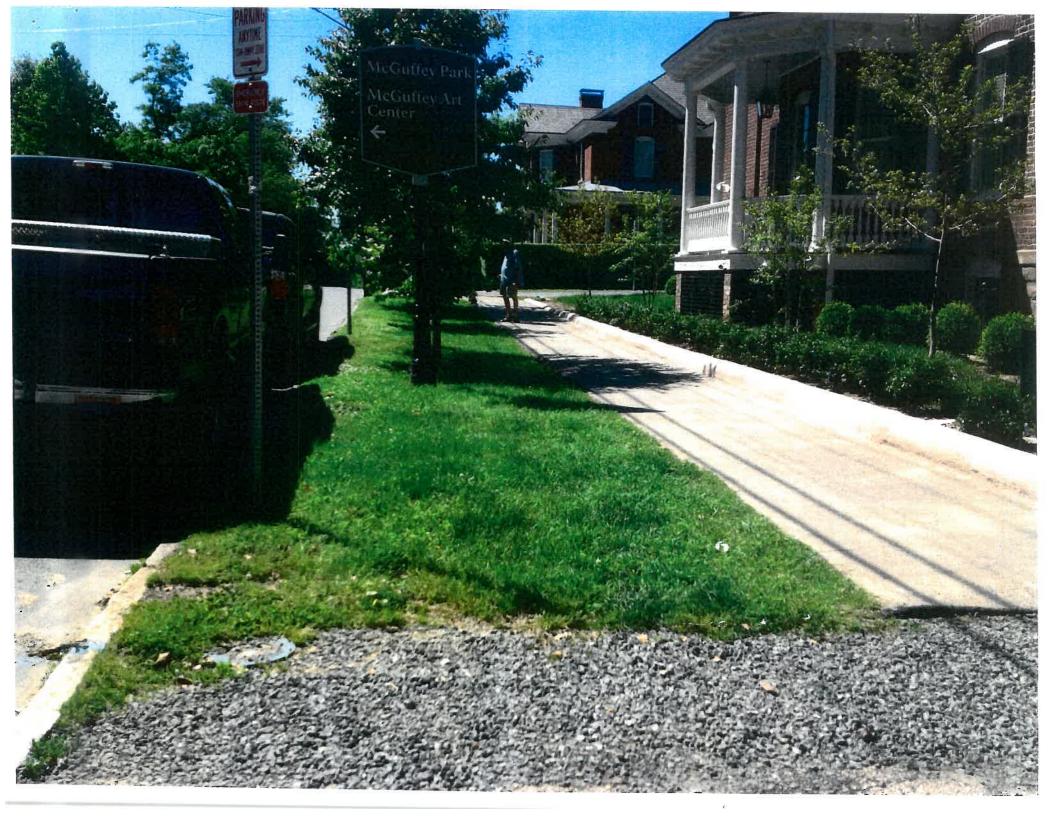
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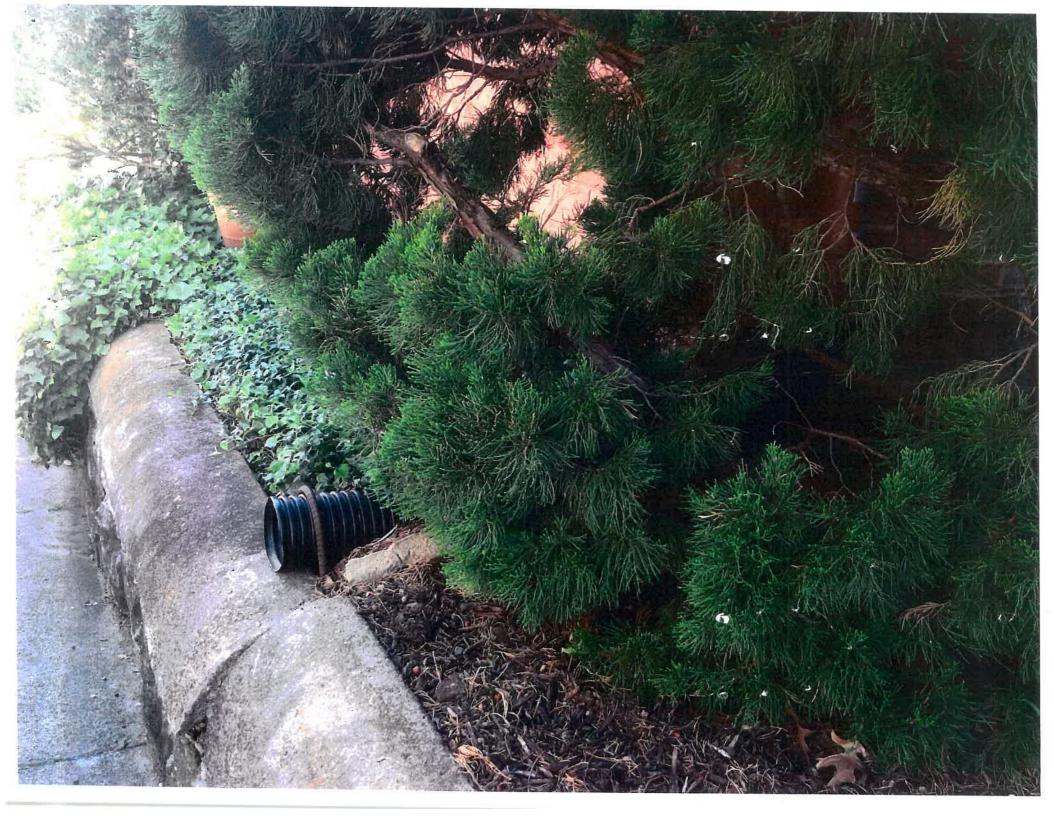


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