

Design Review Committee
October 10, 2007
The Fell's Point Visitor Center
808 S. Ann Street, Baltimore, MD 21231

Attendance

DRC members attending: Jerome Bird, Bob Quilter. Staff member and Secretary Denise Whitman was also in attendance

Executive session

225 E. Montgomery St.

The Federal Hill Neighborhood Association has raised questions about the construction plans for this property. The property went to BMZA for approval in 2005. It was advised that the plans on file with the city be reviewed to see if they were stamped by DRC.

Regular Session

7:00 pm 1728 Thames St.

Beau Forrest

This is a greek revival brick townhouse with a wooden Victorian storefront facade with a separate side entrance to access the upper floors. The owner, Beau Forrest, presented plans for the renovation of the facade of the building. The plans presented are to remove the lower panels that were formerly marble inserts and replace with large glass panels and to leave the two front doors. The owner would like to change the store windows to become 8 paned casement windows. DRC members suggested that the architect look up the building code requirements for the front windows to be sure that the glass started higher than 18 inches from the floor. The DRC members asked questions about the 2 casement windows and an unsecured 1 foot drop from the floor where it meets the windows to the Aliceanna St. sidewalk.

Handicap accesibility issues were also discussed by DRC and it is recommended that the owner and architect address this.

Manufacturer's cut sheets are needed for the proposed windows and doors.

Decision: Resubmit with manufacturer's cut sheets