20-COA-0192 1334 S. 2nd St.



Old Louisville Architectural Review Committee

Public Hearing

Bradley Fister, Historic Preservation Specialist February 17, 2021

Request

Certificate of Appropriateness:

Part 1

The applicant is seeking after-the-fact approval to erect three brick risers. The risers are approximately 32" in height, and constructed of brick and mortar and set atop brick pavers. The applicant intends for the risers to be used to place seasonably appropriate plantings. The risers were designed not to be affixed to the ground, which allows for them to be moveable, and not a permanent fixture in the front of the building.



Request

Certificate of Appropriateness:

Part 2

The applicant also seeks after-the-fact approval for two sections of black metal decorative fencing approximately 3' wide x 28" high that have been attached between the three brick columns.



Request Certificate of Appropriateness:

Part 3

The applicant also seeks approval for an after-thefact brick terrace placed in the front of the home on either side of the stairs leading to the stoop. The terrace extends outward from the stairs to the north approximately 9' toward the property line; the terrace extends outward from the stairs to the south approximately 15' toward the opposite property line. The terrace extends outward from the foundation of the building on both sides approximately 6' toward the direction of S. 2nd St., Thandabuts the existing brick walk on either side.

Site Context / Background

The site is located thirteen lots south of the intersection of E. Ormsby Ave. and S. 2nd St. The property is zoned TNZD in a Traditional Neighborhood Form District. The structure was constructed circa 1900 is a two-and-one-half-story, wood framed, red brick masonry, building with rusticated stone accents.





Aerial Image









Site Photos





Site Photos



Conclusion

 The terrace is flush with the ground and not visible from the street. The fencing that is along the terrace and between the risers is below 2.5' and serves more as a landscaping border feature than an actual fence. The proposed brick risers generally do not meet the Old Louisville Design Guidelines for Site.



Conclusion

 The primary conflict with the Design Guidelines relates to ST10 which states that masonry walls should not be in street-visible locations unless there is a need for earth retention, screening, or historic precedent, and ST14 which states not to install front yard fencing when there is no precedent for it.



Conclusion

• The proposed location of the masonry risers and fencing is along the front of the building. In this case, the masonry piers are not secured to a foundation and are moveable. While visible from the street, the proposal would be seen primarily from S. 2nd Street, 1st Street.



Recommendations

Recommendation for part 1

On the basis of the information furnished by the applicant, Staff recommends the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness be **denied**.



Recommendations

Recommendation for parts 2 & 3

On the basis of the information furnished by the applicant, Staff recommends the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness be **approved** with the following conditions.



Recommendations

- 1. The terrace in the front yard shall not be extended further without staff approval.
- 2. No additional fencing shall be installed beyond the terrace.
- 3. If the design or material changes, the applicant shall contact staff for review and approval.

