



Historic District Commission
Staff Communication – Administrative Approval of Certificate of Appropriateness Applications

Summary Report

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The following Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) applications have been reviewed and approved by Planning Department staff as of November 21, 2022:

Project#/Address	Description of Work	Approval Authority (page 9-11 of the Chapel Hill Historic Districts Design Principles & Standards)	Chapel Hill Historic Districts Design Principles & Standards	Date Approved
<p>#HDC-24-39 300 S. Columbia Street</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction of a 6-foot-tall, dog-eared wood fence enclosure wrapping the roll cart and dumpster on the southwest corner of site along Pharmacy Lane 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wood fences no more than 6 ft. in height and not visible from the public right-of-way Minor Projects that do not require building permits because of cost or because they involve non-structural changes. 	<p>1.3.6. Site new walls and fences in configurations and locations that are compatible with the character of the building, site, and district and consistent with the location and height of other walls and fences in the district.</p> <p>1.3.8. Construct new front- and side-yard fences using traditional materials and designs that are compatible in configuration, height, material, scale, and detail with the character of the building, site, and district.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Front- and side-yard fences, in front of the rear corner of the main block of the building, should generally not exceed 30" in height, should be constructed of wood or metal with structural members facing inward to the property, and must be painted or sealed. b. Temporary, light-gauge wire fencing may be constructed as necessary to keep animals out of gardens, side, and rear yards. c. Chain link, vinyl, or split rail fences are not appropriate. <p>1.3.9. Introduce contemporary utilitarian walls and fences in rear yards only where they do not compromise the historic character of the building, site, or district.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Wood, composite, or chain link fences exceeding 30" in height should be relegated to rear yards, beginning 	<p>11.11.2024</p>

			<p>beyond the rear corner of the main block of the building and should be screened with landscaping materials as much as possible.</p> <p>b. Sites with significant variations in topography should consider segmented walls and fences that step up and down to follow the topography.</p>	
<p>#HDC-24-42 179 E. Franklin Street</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installation of a video intercom system and card reader at the basement-level entrances of the Historic Post Office. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minor projects that do not require building permits because of cost or because they involve non-structural changes. 	<p>3.3.7. Locate new exterior wall features, such as windows, doors, chimneys, bays, and communication or mechanical equipment, on exterior walls that are not visible from the street or in locations that do not compromise the architectural integrity of the building.</p>	<p>11.12.2024</p>