

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION**JULY 25, 2016****APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS****Un-numbered****Russell Lee Elementary School (formerly Robert E. Lee Elementary School)****3308 Hampton Road****PROPOSAL**

Replace original lettering on the school building that was taken down for refurbishing, and install new letters in the exact style and material of the original letters to reflect the re-naming of the school.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The letters were taken down to clean them and refurbish them, as well as to forge new letters in the exact style, materials, and size as the originals. The applicant proposes to replace the existing letters and to install the new letters with the new name of the school.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The Commission's Standards for Review of applications for Certificates of Appropriateness include:

- Do not destroy the distinguishing original qualities or character of a building, structure, or site and its environment. Avoid the removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural features.
- Recognize all buildings, structures, and sites as products of their own time. Do not construct alterations which have no historical basis and which seek to create an earlier appearance.
- Repair, rather than replace deteriorated architectural features wherever possible. In the event replacement is necessary, the new material should match the material being replaced in composition, design, color, texture, and other visual qualities. Base the repair or replacement of missing architectural features on accurate duplications of features, substantiated by historical, physical, or pictorial evidence rather than on conjectural designs or the availability of different architectural elements from other buildings or structures.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Not reviewed.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve as proposed.

