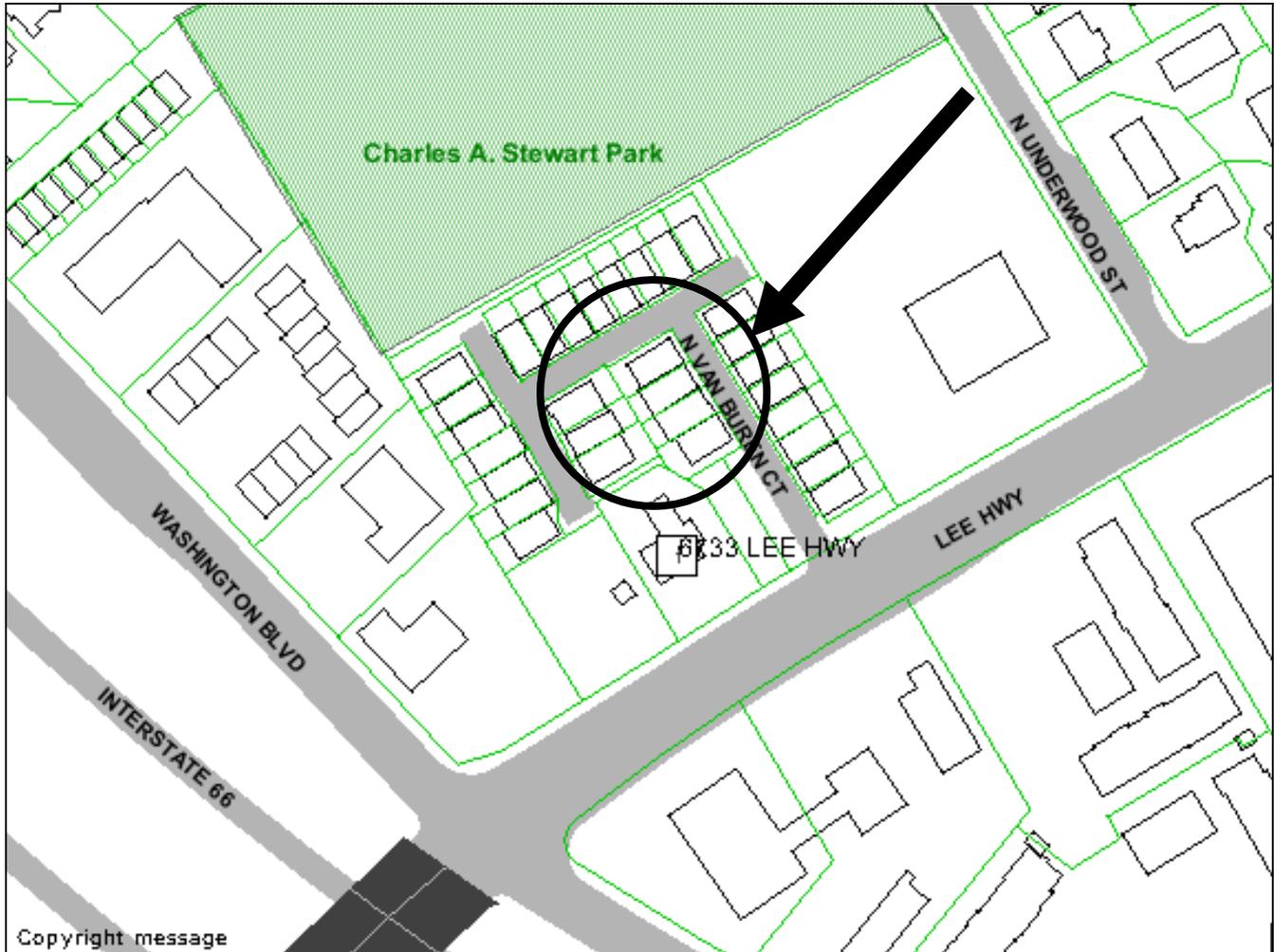


Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board

Arlington County, Virginia

HALRB Case 13-03 (HP1300003)



An after-the-fact request by the Fenwick Court Homeowners Association, owners of the common area in the Eastman-Fenwick House Historic District, for installation of a footbridge and lightpole.

For DRC (*circle those present*): **Robert Dudka, Charles Craig, Charles Matta**, Darren Hannabass,

For Arlington County (*circle those present*): Cynthia Liccese-Torres, **Rebecca Ballo**

Case #13 - 3 Agenda Item # No 3

Application Complete

Application Incomplete

Applicant(s): Fenwick Courts HoA

For Applicant(s): Pat Haney, Fenwick Courts HoA Pres.

(See attached application for applicant, address, name of property and property description, drawings, photographs, and proposed scope of work.)

Design Recommendations:

1. Rail design ok as is due to age of installation. Future repairs, modifications, replacements should be based on historic standards and not the existing bridge.
2. Light pole ok.
- 3.
- 4.

Findings:

Return to next DRC meeting

Send to HALRB (see below for recommended actions)

If sent to HALRB, recommended action is:

Place on consent agenda

Place on discussion agenda:

Recommend approval of CoA, with DRC design recommendations and/or additional information provided

Recommend deferral of ruling on CoA (explanation):

Recommend denial of CoA (explanation):

No recommendation.



CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS STAFF REPORT

TO: HALRB
FROM: Rebecca Ballo
DATE: February 13, 2013
SUBJECT: 2330 North Van Buren Court (Fenwick Court Common Area), Case 13-03, Eastman-Fenwick House Historic District

This is an after-the-fact request for two items in the Home Owners' Association Common areas at the Fenwick Court townhouses, located within the larger Eastman-Fenwick House Historic District. The first item is for the placement of a light pole near the path through the HOA open space; the second is for a footbridge that crosses a small gully between the townhouses and the adjacent County Park. These landscape elements were installed without a CoA. They were not flagged by Historic Preservation staff and the HOA at the time did not realize the extent of the historic district boundaries and requirements. The new HOA Board has been working closely with HP staff and would like to have all outstanding items reviewed so that everything is in order with the property.

The work on the light was completed about two years ago. The HOA endeavored to find a light exactly the same as those already installed in the community. They could not locate one with a fluted pole. The one installed has a smooth pole, but is otherwise very similar to the existing lights. It was installed for safety, as there are no other lights along the path and it is a well-traveled route between the community and Metro. DRC and staff had no issues with the design or placement of the light.

The footbridge was installed approximately ten years ago. It is made of pressure-treated wood, with closely spaced, squared pickets, and a flat handrail along the top. The DRC stated that this bridge could remain, as it has existed for many years. However, in the future when it needs to be replaced, the DRC encouraged the HOA to submit a new design that would be more appropriate for the style of the community.

The DRC recommended approval of this application and asked that this case be placed on the consent agenda for the February 20, 2013, HALRB meeting. Staff also recommends approval.