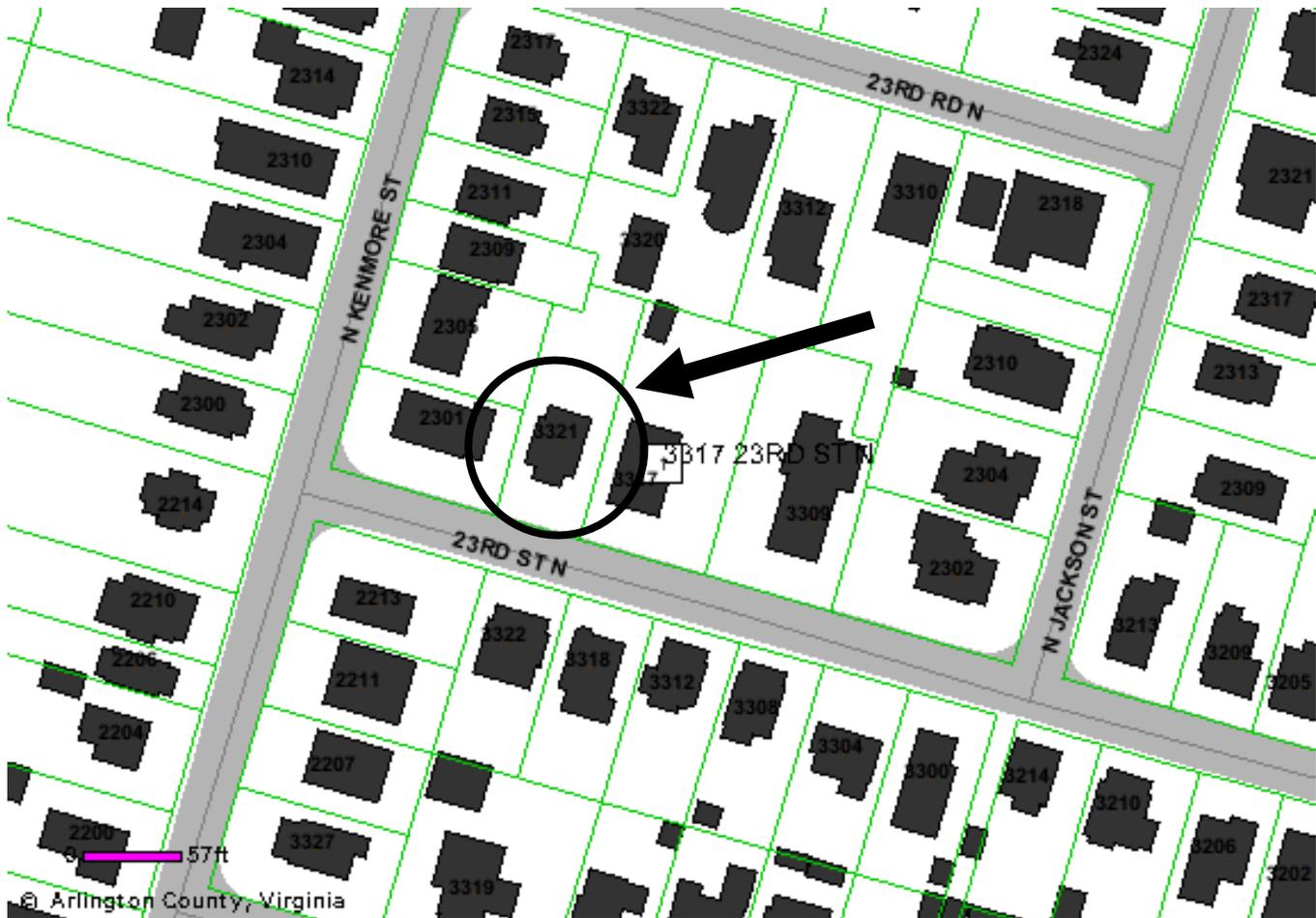


Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board

Arlington County, Virginia

HALRB Case 13-07 (HP1300007)



A request by Cecilia Kennedy, owner of 3321 23rd Street North in the Maywood Neighborhood Historic District, to remove a 16" diameter Norway Maple from the rear yard.

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 - 07 Agenda Item # No 1

Application Complete

Application Incomplete

Applicant(s): Cecilia Kennedy

For Applicant(s): Cecilia Kennedy

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

Design Recommendations:

1. Plant replacement in rear (in consultation with the County Arborist).
- 2.
- 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: May 7, 2013
SUBJECT: 3321 23rd Street North, Case 13-07, Maywood Historic District

The subject property is a Craftsman bungalow that was constructed prior to 1925. The *Maywood National Register Nomination* describes the house as “a three-bay-wide, wood-frame dwelling rests on a solid ashlar concrete-block foundation. It is clad in narrow lapped wood siding and has a side-gable roof sheathed in asphalt shingles. It has a one-story, one-bay, wood-frame front portico on square posts and six-over-one wood-sash windows. Other notable features include wide, overhanging eaves with exposed rafter tails, asbestos shingles in the gable end of the portico, egg-and-dart molding at the base of the portico piers, and a molded wood cornice.” It is listed as a contributing building in the *National Register Nomination*.

A CoA for a rear addition was approved in 2012 (CoA 12-13), and revisions to the CoA were approved in January 2013 (CoA 12-29). This application is a request to remove a 16” diameter Norway Maple in the rearyard of the house. Otherwise healthy trees that measure larger than 15” diameter at 4’ of height require HALRB approval prior to their removal.

The County Arborist’s report dated April 4, 2013 states that the tree is in fair health, but that the proximity of the new addition to the root zone would negatively impact its chances of survival. Given these circumstances, and that the tree is not a native species, nor a highly desirable tree, the arborist recommended it be removed.

In its discussion at the DRC, members noted that while the construction limits could be moved to lessen impacts on the tree, it is not in a desirable location relative to the new construction. DRC members concurred with the arborist that since this is not a native or valuable tree, its loss to the property and the neighborhood at large would be minimal. The DRC had no issues with its removal. The DRC recommended that a replacement shade tree be planted in the backyard. The species and location should be coordinated with the County arborist.

The DRC recommended approval of this application and asked that this case be placed on the consent agenda for the May 15, 2013, HALRB meeting. Staff finds that the request meets the intent of the *Maywood Design Guidelines* and recommends approval.