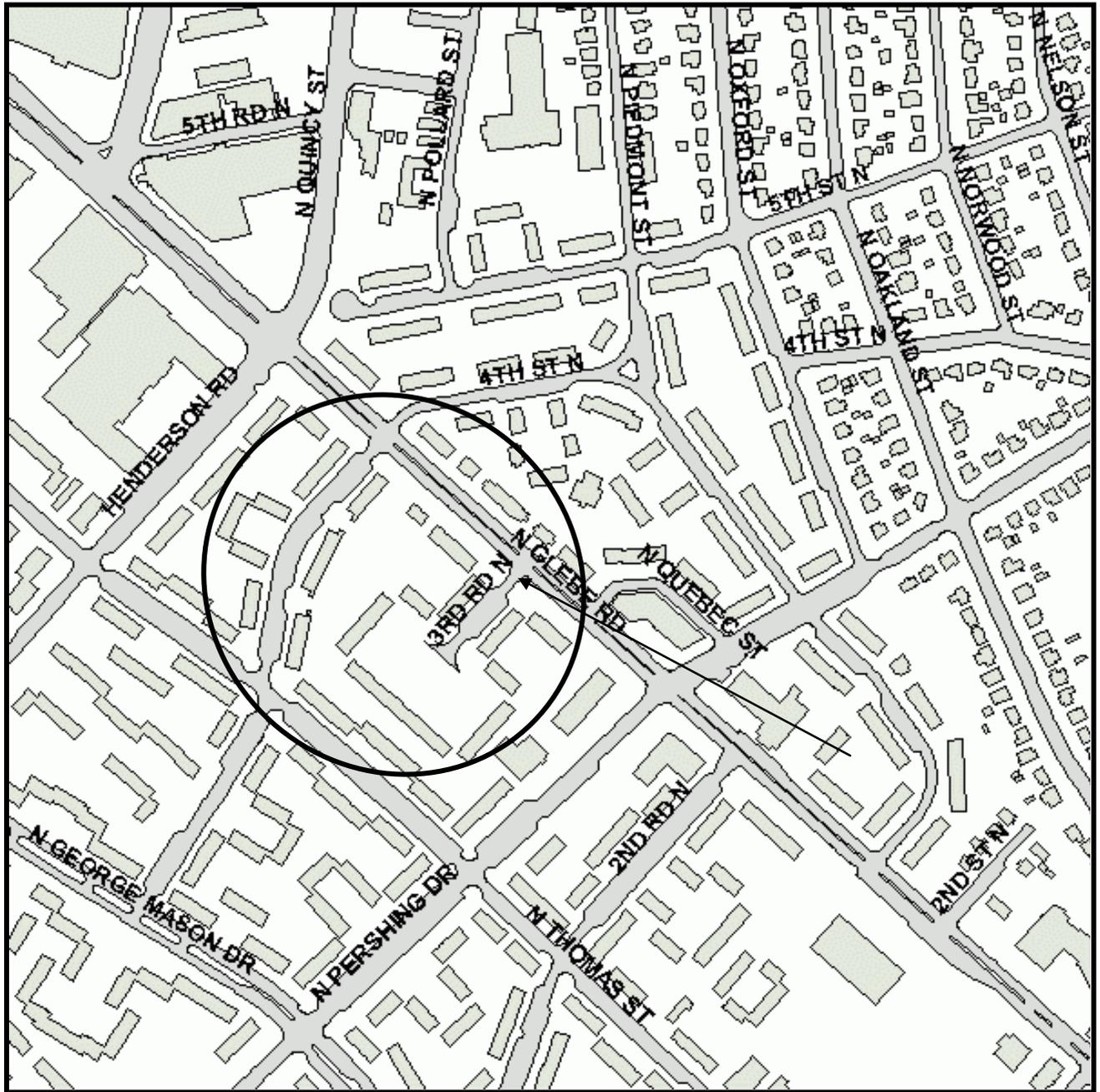


# Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board

Arlington County, Virginia

HALRB Case 13-27 (HP1300029)



A request by Arlington Housing Corporation, owners of the Gates of Ballston complex in the Buckingham Historic District, to install four (4) monument signs.

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

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

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Case #13 - 27 Agenda Item # No 6

Application Complete

Application Incomplete

Applicant(s): AHC, Inc.

For Applicant(s): AHC, sign contractors

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

Design Recommendations:

1. Brick to go 8" minimum below grade.
2. Brick to match buildings—note on plans.
3. Include specification sheet on the fence.
4. Sign to be wood per Guidelines. Letters painted or metal.

**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, Historic Preservation Planner  
**DATE:** September 11, 2013  
**SUBJECT:** 4108 4<sup>th</sup> Street North, Case 13-27, Buckingham Village Historic District

This is a request to install four monument signs in the Gates of Ballston portion of the Buckingham Village Historic District. The signs would be located in the following locations:

- Southwest corner of intersection of North Glebe Road and 2<sup>nd</sup> Road North;
- Southwest corner of intersection of North Glebe Road and North Henderson Street;
- Northwest corner of intersection of North Glebe Road and 4<sup>th</sup> Street North; and
- Southwest corner of intersection of North Glebe Road and 4<sup>th</sup> Street North.

All the signs will be made of brick, with a brick base and brick piers with precast concrete caps. Aluminum fencing, a detail designed to reflect the use of the word gates in the name of the community, spans the length between the piers. The sign itself will be made of wood and read "Gates of Ballston." The two larger signs also note that the neighborhood is "An AHC Inc. Apartment Community" and the smaller two signs note the location of the Leasing Office. The largest sign, located on the corner of North Glebe and North Henderson Street, measures 6' 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" high, and 10' 11<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" wide. This sign has a 20" brick base above grade. The second largest sign, located at 2<sup>nd</sup> Road North and North Glebe Road, measures 5' 6" high and 8' 11" wide. This sign has a 15<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" brick base above grade. The smallest two signs flank 4<sup>th</sup> Street North. These signs each have only one brick pier and measure approximately 5' wide by 5' 4" high. The applicant originally proposed vinyl letters, and a synthetic material signboard, but the application has been revised to have a wood sign board with painted letters.

The DRC asked for minor modifications to the application which were included in the current submission. The DRC recommended approval of this application and asked that this case be placed on the consent agenda for the September 18, 2013, HALRB meeting. Staff concurs with the recommendation and finds that the application meets the intent of the *Buckingham Village Design Guidelines*.