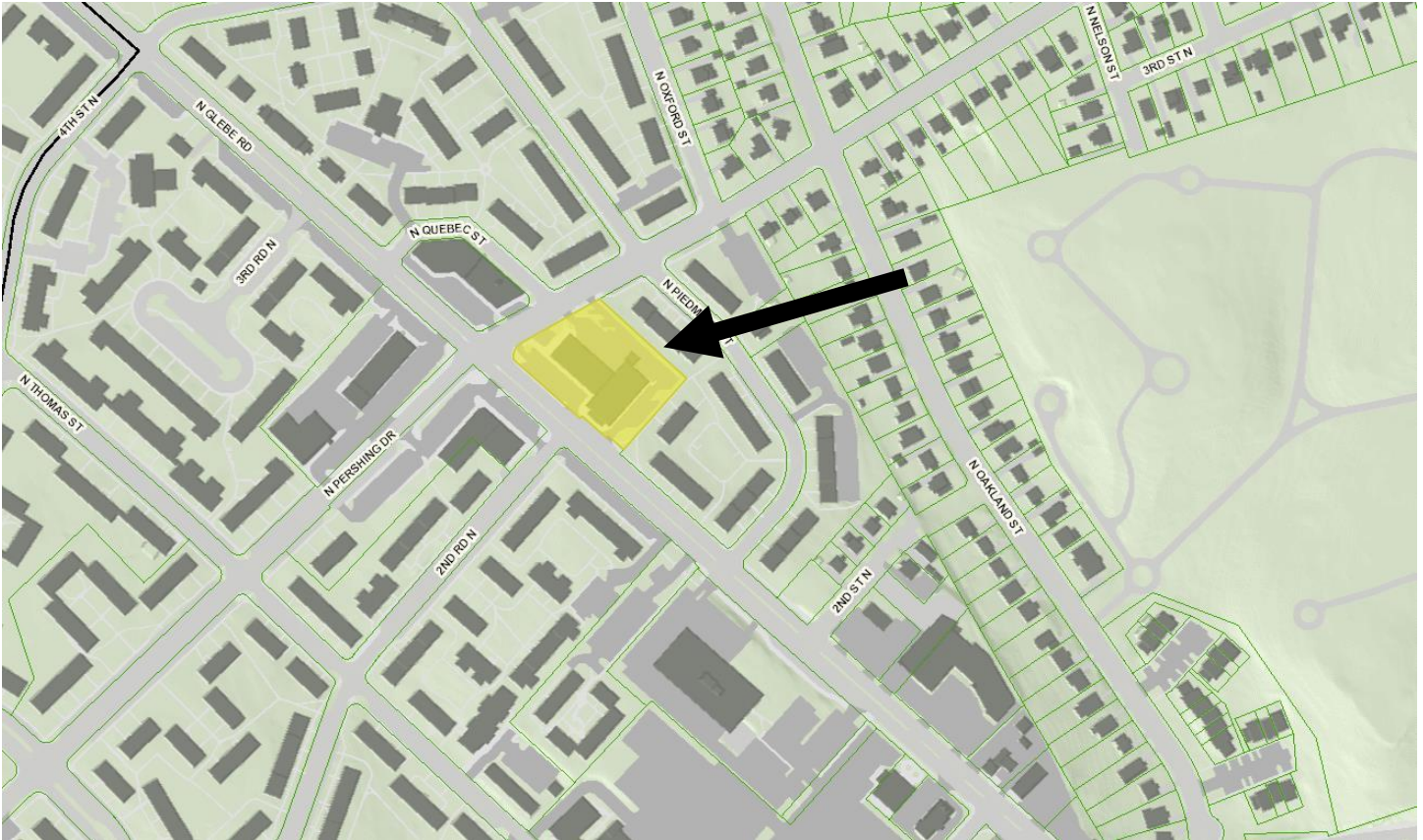


# Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board

Arlington County, Virginia

HALRB Case 15-02 (HP1500005)

CONTRIBUTING COMMERCIAL



A request by Adil Ali, tenant of 237 North Glebe Road in the Buckingham Historic District, to install new rooftop equipment and alter signage on the façade of the building.

For DRC (*circle those present*): **Robert Dudka, Charles Craig, Charles Matta, Andrew Wenchel, Tova Solo, Joan Lawrence**

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

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Case # 15-02 Agenda Item # 3

Application Complete

Application Incomplete

Applicant(s): Adil Ali  
For Applicant(s):Ms. Ali

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

Design Recommendations:

1. The neon tubing for the signage must be white, not red.
2. Confirm ownership of existing exhaust stack on the rear of the building (shown in roof plan).

**Findings:**

- Return to next DRC meeting  
 Send to HALRB

**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:** John Liebertz, Historic Preservation Planner  
**DATE:** March 11, 2015  
**SUBJECT:** 237 North Glebe Road, CoA 15-02, Buckingham Village Historic District

Designed by Henry Wright, Allan Kamstra, and Albert Lueders, Buckingham Shopping Center was built as a component of the planned residential community. The one-story shopping center and adjacent two-story theater (now the Post Office) located at 237 North Glebe Road opened in 1939. The one-story building consists of concrete block construction with brick veneer and has a flat roof highlighted by a parapet wall with stone coping. The design features minimal architectural details and large storefront windows. The property is a contributing resource to the Buckingham Village National Register Historic District.

The tenant of the subject space requests the following items be considered: 1) the installation of new mechanical equipment on the roof to service the needs of the restaurant; and 2) updating the existing signage to read "Charcoal Chicken." Similar to the existing rooftop mechanical equipment, the proposed equipment is set back from the façade and obscured by a short parapet wall. The signage conforms to the requirements as noted in *Neon Signage Guidelines for the Buckingham Shopping Center*.

The DRC heard this case at its March meeting. Staff requested that the neon lighting for the lettering be white as outlined by the *Neon Signage Guidelines for the Buckingham Shopping Center*. The DRC requested the applicant confirm that the existing exhaust fan on the rear façade of the building is owned by the adjacent tenant. The DRC recommended approval of this application and asked that this case be placed on the consent agenda for the March 18, 2015, HALRB meeting. Staff finds that the request meets the intent of Chapter 8: Guidelines for Commercial Areas: Renovation of the *Buckingham Design Guidelines* and the *Neon Signage Guidelines for the Buckingham Shopping Center*.