

Property Address



Application No.

# Certificate of Appropriateness

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) of Washington, Virginia meeting on \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

hereby grants to \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Property Owner/Applicant

a Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA) issued for \_\_\_\_\_  
Summary of Items (such as new standing seam metal painted roof)

## Specifically:

List Specific Items

Respectfully granted, \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed and dated by the ARB Chair

Acknowledged: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed and dated by the Owner/Applicant

Expiration Date:  
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Mailing Address:

# Town of Washington Architectural Review Board

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From an excerpt of the Historic District nomination: Thirty-one years after the listing of the Washington Historic District (322-0011) in the state and national registers, this amendment extends the period of significance from the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries to 1945 and does not involve any boundary adjustment. The boundary of the historic area continues to incorporate the entire municipality of the town of Washington as earlier designated by the Washington Town Council and delineated in the 1975 nomination. The general description in Section 7 originally reported, "There are approximately one hundred buildings in the Washington Historic District. The District boundaries coincide with the corporate limits of the Town of Washington."

In that early developmental stage of nominations, comprehensive inventories with contributing and non-contributing resource designations were not required. The first reconnaissance-level survey of the Washington Historic District occurred in 1989, and most resources received a historic or non-historic designation, while the status of others remained unclear. A resurvey, begun in 2004 and concluded in 2005, is inventoried in the Virginia Department of Historic Resources' Data Sharing System with form hardcopies and photographs for every resource filed in their archives. Initiating this amendment, the resurvey identified a total of 159 contributing resources and 89 non-contributing resources within a period of 1735-1945. The definition of the 1735 date in the broader eighteenth century context originally provided in the nomination is due to the circa 1735 Cox's Ordinary. Eighty-seven of the contributing resources and four of the non-contributing resources were constructed between 1900 and 1945. They retain high integrity, except for the four heavily altered buildings that were determined non-contributing. The totaled ninety-one resources within this added 1900-45 period of significance are described in paragraphs in the inventory and designated as contributing or non-contributing to the period.

Distributed throughout the village, the ninety-one resources stand on Gay, Main, Middle, Porter and Wheeler Streets, in addition to Harris Hollow Road, Mount Salem Avenue and Piedmont Avenue. Mount Salem Avenue at the southeast end of the village is distinguished with a remarkable collection of dwellings displaying extraordinary and well-articulated prominent styles of the early twentieth century. The earliest development of lots on this historic road to the Mount Salem Church outside of town occurred between 1920 and 1940 with the subdivision of Middleton Miller's plantation on the west side and Bartow Brown's much smaller holdings on the east. Bordered by stone fencing, boxwood and sweeping evergreens, the picturesque road contains two Bungalow-Craftsman-style houses, two Tudor Revival-style dwellings, one in stone and one of brick, three Colonial Revival residences and an exceptional Mediterranean-inspired Bungalow. Although there are duplications of the styles, the initial owners selected unique interpretations or varied principal subtypes and diversified natural materials to express individuality. The result is an avenue that locally celebrates America's imaginative contribution to the development of the great architectural styles of the early twentieth century and particularly in the period between World War I and II.

For a copy of the Historic District survey and inventory contact the Town Clerk or visit the Virginia Department of Historic Resources website and search for the Washington Historic District (322-0011).



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