

**TOWN OF HERNDON, VIRGINIA
HERITAGE PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
WORK SESSION AGENDA
JANUARY 8, 2020
HERNDON COUNCIL CHAMBERS BUILDING
765 LYNN STREET
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

1. Determination of Quorum

DISCUSSION

2. Commonwealth of Virginia DHR Architectural Resources

Staff will provide an overview of architectural design resources produced and maintained by the state's Department of Historic Resources, which are designed to guide understanding and appreciation of Virginia's historic architectural resources. These guides are also used as one of several tools for evaluation and recommendations for design projects within the Town's Heritage Preservation Overlay District and Architectural Control District.

COMMENTS

3. Comments from the Staff Members
4. Comments from the Board Members

ADJOURNMENT



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Walker and Members of the Heritage Preservation Review Board

From: Christopher J. Garcia, AICP, Community Design Planner/Deputy Zoning Administrator 

Date: January 8, 2020

Subject: Discussion Item – Architectural Resources/Guides

Staff has assembled two electronic files produced by the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Historic Resources that provide a comprehensive compendium of architectural styles, both historic and non-historic, common to Virginia and the Town of Herndon. The two resources that are the subject of this Board discussion item are:

1) **[Classic Commonwealth: Virginia Architecture from the Colonial Era to 1940;](#)**

“Completed in 2015, this new online publication is designed to aid professionals, students, and readers of all walks in identifying and documenting the numerous types and styles of historic buildings in the Commonwealth. The guide opens with an overview of Virginia’s architectural heritage within the context of larger historic trends, from its colonial-era settlement through to the economic, technological and cultural innovations of the early 20th century. The majority of the publication consists of “Style and Form” information sheets offering basic information about and character-defining features of the many historic architectural styles that have shaped Virginia’s public and private spaces across more than three centuries. Because architecture is a visual medium, Classic Commonwealth relies heavily on photographs which exemplify or illustrate relevant styles. This guide will enrich one’s understanding and appreciation of Virginia’s historic architecture. Additionally, the guide complements the New Dominion Virginia Style Guide (see below), which DHR issued in 2014. That guide covers the 1940s through the late 20th century.” – DHR, Virginia Department of Historic Resources Reports and Publication Webpage: <https://www.dhr.virginia.gov/publications/>

2) **[New Dominion Virginia Architectural Style Guide](#)**

“The New Dominion Virginia Style Guide assists historic preservation professionals, local governments, preservation advocates, students, and interested members of the public with defining and documenting the numerous types and styles of post-WW II architectural resources in Virginia. Additionally,

the guide offers an overview of the major historic and architectural trends in Virginia from 1946 to 1991 and instructions on improving entry of survey data in DHR's Virginia Cultural Resources Information System (V-CRIS)." – DHR, Virginia Department of Historic Resources Reports and Publication Webpage: <https://www.dhr.virginia.gov/publications/>

Staff will provide a brief overview of each document and how staff uses these resources in its research, staff report writing and staff recommendations that are routinely provided to the Board for its consideration. The intent of this discussion item is purely informational and will provide some insight into staff's technical review and analysis applied to project reviews for cases brought to the HPRB and ARB for consideration.