

**HERNDON ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
Work Session Minutes
Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

1. Call to Order

Chair Blaker-Glass called the February 4, 2026, Architectural Review Board Work Session to order at 8:18 p.m. in the Herndon Council Chambers Building, 765 Lynn Street, Herndon, and stated that four Architectural Review Board Members were present, which constituted a quorum. Board Members in attendance: Tamim Chowdhury, Melody Fetske, Amy Oleinick, Chair Leslie Blaker-Glass.

Staff present during the meeting: Angelina Jones, Lead Planner / Design and Development; Lauri Sigler, Deputy Town Attorney; and Becky Skillin, Deputy Town Clerk.

2. Public Hearings

a. APPLICATION FOR ALTERATION TO AN EXISTING STRUCTURE, ARB #25-005, 300 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia, to consider an application for alterations including recladding a portion of the existing shopping center in a new material at the commercial property [item was continued from the January 21, 2026, Regular Meeting]

Chair Blaker-Glass opened the public hearing and recognized Angelina Jones, Lead Planner / Design and Development, for the staff report.

Ms. Jones presented an overview of the application for alteration to an existing structure, noting that the proposed design is intended to correspond with the adjacent bank building, which is under separate ownership and was recently renovated. The application, which was continued from the January 21, 2026, regular meeting, proposes exterior alterations to the existing shopping center, including painting the standing-seam metal roof and storefront signage and limiting the use of EIFS to the tower elements. Staff noted that the building was designed in a post-modern style and intentionally coordinated with the neighboring bank building. Concerns previously raised by the Board included the potential loss of architectural character and the importance of maintaining visual cohesion with the adjacent property.

Staff expressed a preference for retaining the existing dark green color rather than introducing a charcoal tone, noting that the red brick and green are complementary when paired together. The applicant was requested to provide

additional color samples. Staff withheld a recommendation pending further discussion by the Board.

Chair Blaker-Glass invited the applicant for comments. Tom Donaldson (owner) and David Bruhnke (applicant's agent) made comments, including:

1. Offering a mock-up to demonstrate the final appearance.
2. Transition pieces in the tower with flashing that extends to the drip edge.
3. The need for owner agreement on the green color.

Board Members made comments, including:

1. Visibility of storefront signage.
2. Continuity among properties.
3. Additional heat in a black roof.
4. Change the fascia, not the roof.
5. Use of cream or darker green paint in certain areas.

3. **Comments**

a. **Comments from the Staff Members**

Angelina Jones, Lead Planner, provided an update on applications and meeting schedules.

b. **Comments from the Board Members**

Following comments about previous items, Lauri Sigler, Deputy Town Attorney, Parliamentarian noted discussion on the public hearing portion of the meeting had ended.

4. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, and without objection, Chair Blaker-Glass adjourned the February 4, 2026, Architectural Review Board Work Session at 8:42 p.m.

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Minutes approved by the Architectural Review Board: **February 18, 2026**