



**LEESBURG BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
STAFF REPORT**

**WORK SESSION: 03 DECEMBER 2012
AGENDA ITEM 6a**

BAR Case No. THLP-2012-0107: Replacement of existing 28" doors with a single 42" door for accessibility

Reviewer: Kim K. Del Rance, LEED AP
Address: 107 W. Market St.
Zoning: B-1, H-1 Overlay District
Applicant/Owner: Dwight Stonerook, Trustees of the Leesburg United Methodist Church

Additional Information since the November 19, 2012 Regular Meeting:

The wing of the church that this door is attached to was built in 1987. The three story classroom addition was built in 1965 and the two story addition in the rear was built in 1952. The applicant is reviewing doors to be centered under the existing transom and the power door openers cannot be used if the existing double doors are used as a single door.

Description of Proposal: The applicant requests to alter the entry doors from a double leaf opening to a single wider door with sidelight with glazing or a single door with glazing for safety reasons. The replacement is necessary to meet new ADA guidelines and the elevator is directly inside this door.

Site Development/Zoning Issues: None.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES

OHD Design Guidelines: CH. III ARCHITECTURAL AND DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW



C. ARCHITECTURAL STYLES/FORMS/TYPES 4. GREEK REVIVAL (1825-1860)

The facades are symmetrical with a central entrance that contains a transom and sidelights.

Staff finds that a single door similar to the double doors with glazing on Wirt Street, centering under the transom, with no sidelights would be appropriate.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/DRAFT MOTION

(Based on the BAR's discussion at the meeting, any changes to the language of either part of the motion should be incorporated as necessary.)

Based on the findings that:

- The necessity of providing access to everyone in this public building as well as meeting regulations for the Americans with Disabilities Act requires adjustments be made to the present door configuration.
- This door has not attained individual historic significance since its installation and the building

addition's construction 25 years ago.

- The proposed glazed door centered with no sidelights is appropriate to this building and history of the evolution of this architectural style and does not damage the architectural character of the existing entry, portico and façade.

Staff recommends approval of TLHP-2012-0107 subject to the amended plans, photographs and materials submitted as part of this application dated November 22, 2012 if the Board finds the examples submitted at the work session to be appropriate.

DRAFT MOTION

I move that TLHP-2012-0107 be approved subject to the application submitted by Dwight Stonerook on November 22, 2012 and subject to the findings and conditions of approval as stated in the December 3, 2012 Staff Report (or as amended by the BAR on December 3, 2012).