

Appendix 4

Architectural Preservation Districts & Corridor Protection Districts Approval Criteria

Zoning Ordinance - Section 21-855(a)

Before approving the erection, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, razing demolition or moving of a building or structure in the Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area portion of the architectural preservation district, the review board shall consider, among other things:

- 1) Documented historical and/or archaeological evidence of such building or structure prior to the year 1800.
- 2) For accessory buildings or structures, historical and/or archaeological evidence indicating that such a building or structure could have existed prior to the year 1800, even though there exists no specific historical or archaeological evidence to support this.
- 3) The historical value and significance of the building, structure, sign or exterior archaeological feature with the comprehensive plan's goals for historic preservation, visual quality and design.
- 4) The compatibility of the proposed building, structure, sign or exterior architectural feature with the comprehensive plan's goals for historic preservation, visual quality and design.

Zoning Ordinance - Section 21-855(b)

Before approving the erection, reconstruction, alteration or restoration of a building, structure, sign or exterior architectural feature in the architectural preservation or corridor protection district (except for the Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area CW), the review board shall consider, among other things:

- 1) The historical or architectural value and significance of the building, structure, sign or exterior architectural feature.
- 2) The extent to which the building, structure, sign or exterior architectural feature will be architecturally compatible with historic buildings in the area which it is proposed to be located; or, if located in the corridor protection district will architecturally compatible with the character of the architectural preservation district.
- 3) The appropriateness of the general design, proportion, scale, building material texture and color of the proposed building, structure, sign or exterior architectural feature to the area in which it is proposed to be located.
- 4) The relationship of the proposal to design criteria adopted by the review board. Such criteria shall be consistent with the purposes of this article.
- 5) The compatibility of the proposed building, structure, sign or exterior architectural feature with the comprehensive plan's goals for historic preservation, visual quality and design.