HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION

JULY 22, 2013

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS C14H-1978-0033

Littlefield Building - 106 E. 6th Street

PROPOSAL

Construct a new canopy over the Sixth Street entrance; replace Sixth Street entrance doors.; paint plaster; and replace window rails.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The applicant proposes enhancements to the Sixth Street entrance to the office section of the building: The non-historic gold-finished metal entry doors will be replaced with a new entry consisting of double-leaf aluminum and glass doors with glass sidelights and transom; the new door unit will have a gray finish. A new metal canopy is proposed for the Sixth Street entrance. It will be hung from steel tie rods and attached to the building only by the structural member. A section of non-historic window rails will be replaced with window rails that match others on the building. The plaster will be painted in shades of gray.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The Commission's Standards for Review of applications for Certificates of Appropriateness include:

- Do not destroy the distinguishing original qualities or character of a building, structure, or site and its environment. Avoid the removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural features.
- Contemporary design for alterations and additions to existing properties are appropriate when such alterations and additions do not destroy significant historic, architectural, or cultural material and such design is compatible with the size, scale, color, material, and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.
- Construct new additions or alterations to structures in such a manner that if such addition or alteration were to be removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the structure will be unimpaired.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee asked whether the original canopy could be reproduced, but recommended that the proposed canopy should "float" off the building and have a lighter feel, more in keeping with the look of the historic canopy. The Committee also recommended keeping the transom over the proposed door.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Follow the Committee's recommendations.