

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION**  
**SEPTEMBER 28, 2015**  
**APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**  
**C14H-1989-0010**  
**Dabney-Horne House**  
**507 W. 23<sup>rd</sup> Street**

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**PROPOSAL**

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Relocate the original portions of the Dabney-Horne House to 903 Shoal Cliff Court.

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**PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS**

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The applicant proposes to remove additions to the Dabney-Horne House and move the historic section of the house to what will be a vacant lot at 903 Shoal Cliff Court. The Commission has already approved the removal of additions to the house under a prior proposal to move the house to the northwest corner of its existing lot to allow for the construction of an adjacent high-rise residential building and parking garage.

The Dabney-Horne House is still on its original location. The current proposal is to move the section of the house that was previously approved for relocation on the same lot to what will be a vacant lot on Shoal Cliff Court, next to the Clyde and Henrietta Littlefield House, which is currently under consideration as a historic landmark. The site on Shoal Cliff Court is in a more residential setting, and more conducive to the original, and now lost, context of the Dabney-Horne House in its current commercial and multi-family setting.

As part of this proposal, both houses will be rehabilitated and preserved. Without this move, each of these houses would have an incompatible and much larger multi-family residential use on the adjacent lot.

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**STANDARDS FOR REVIEW**

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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.
- 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.

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**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Not reviewed.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Staff supports the relocation of the Dabney-Horne House to the proposed new site on Shoal Cliff Court. Both houses will enjoy the context they deserve in a more residential setting, and both houses will be rehabilitated and preserved for residential uses. Other historic houses in the West Campus area have been moved to new locations and their landmark status has been preserved.