



Community Development
Department

STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date:	January 23, 2025
Agenda Title:	COA 24-84 320 Culpeper Street
Requested Action:	Review proposal for the request to install new fencing around the perimeter of the property, including 4' wooden paddock style fencing and 6' board and batten privacy fencing.
Department / Agency Lead:	Community Development
Staff Lead:	Casey Squyres, Historic Preservation Planner

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The applicant is proposing to install 4' wooden paddock-style fencing and 6' board and batten privacy fencing around the back yard of 320 Culpeper Street.

BACKGROUND

This modified frame dwelling is one of the most picturesque houses in the town. It is an important architectural element as it is conspicuously located at one of the town's major intersections. Its handsome grounds add much to the house's visual quality. This very well-preserved late 19th-century house contributes to the historic and architectural character of lower Culpeper Street.

This building was constructed in 1869. It is in excellent condition and retains a high degree of integrity. The building does not possess sufficient architectural or historical significance for individual listing in the NRHP; however, it is a contributing resource to the Warrenton Historic District Boundary Increase 2023 under Criterion C – Distinctive Characteristics of Architecture/Construction.





DESIGN GUIDELINE CONSIDERATIONS

Historic District Guideline	Page No.	Analysis
B. FENCES & WALLS		
2. New fences and walls should not exceed six feet in height, or the maximum allowed by the zoning district regulations.	3.8	Proposed fencing does not exceed 6' in height.
4. For wooden stockade fences, avoid simplicity. Design with architectural details such as capped posts, pointed or shaped boards, varied board heights, or scalloped sections, for example. The rails should face the interior lot. Pressure treated lumber is acceptable but stained or painted is recommended.	3.8	Proposed fencing will be wooden paddock-style and board & batten privacy fencing.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the request to install 4' wooden paddock-style fencing and 6' board and batten privacy fencing at the back yard of the property at 320 Culpeper Street, all as described and depicted within the application, provided the following conditions are met:

- 1) All necessary permits are acquired.
- 2) Wooden fencing shall be painted or stained.
- 3) Fencing shall not exceed 6' in height.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1 – Photos & Plans
2. Attachment 2 – Draft Motion Sheet