

Agenda
Art and Architectural Review Board
October 2, 2026, at 10:00 am
Patrick Henry Building, East Reading Room
1111 E Broad St, Richmond VA 23219

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

1.2 PUBLIC COMMENT

1.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1.4 OTHER BUSINESS

- 1.4.1 Disclosures made pursuant to the Code of Virginia § 2.2-3112(B)(2) and § 2.2-3114(G).

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) / Rams Mural
(Final Approval)

A wall mural to celebrate VCU spirit. The mural will be located on an existing utility yard screen wall.

2.2 Wilson Workforce and Rehabilitation Center (WWRC) / Birdsall Hoover and Watson Hall Structural Repairs
(Final Approval)

Birdsall Hoover Hall, constructed in 1974, and Watson Hall, constructed in 1965, are large buildings critical to WWRC's daily functions on Campus. These buildings' exterior facades are primarily comprised of field masonry with a CMU back-up wall. Due to the time period the buildings were constructed in, they have inadequate or absent masonry control joints, and long stretches of wall have inadequate lateral force resistance. Today, both buildings have persistent cracks present in both the brick and CMU members. The scope of this project is to repair and replace-in-kind cracked masonry and mortar, as well as adding control joints where required. The cracking was caused by lateral stress from wind and earthquakes, as well as the different rates of thermal expansion brick and CMU experience. In some cases, the scope includes adding horizontal steel reinforcement to the interior side of exterior walls to resist lateral forces. These interior steel members

would be plainly visible, need to be painted/finished, and may obstruct existing furniture arrangements or building functions.

2.3 Department of General Services (DGS) / Jefferson Building South Entry Door Modification

(Final Approval)

Replacement in kind of exterior storefront entrance on Bank St. Removal and repair of unsound/uneven concrete at storefront threshold. Interior painting and carpet replacement inside lobby.

2.4 DGS / Patrick Henry Building Bollard Installation

(Final Approval)

The project is to provide crash rated bollard arrays to protect the northwest and northeast corners of the recently renovated Patrick Henry Building (PHB) from intentional or accidental vehicle impact which could significantly damage the building. The extent of the project is limited to the two corners which face Broad Street. The two arrays are symmetrical about the centerline of the building to align with the building's strong axial symmetry. The project does not involve relocation of existing street furniture and does not alter the existing pavement.

2.5 Senate of Virginia and Virginia House of Delegates / GAB Flagpole Relocation

(Final Approval)

The Project is to remove the two existing flagpoles located at the top of the General Assembly Building (GAB) and to install them into the two planter areas outside of the south entrance to the GAB, flanking the primary entrance for the public into the GAB. The flags will be lit from below, allowing them to fly continuously. The two trees currently located in planters will be relocated elsewhere on Capitol Square.

2.6 Virginia Tech (VT) / Timber Harvesting Lab

(Final Approval)

The project will provide approximately 3,800 square feet of research and support space for the Timber Harvesting Lab. The proposed 78-foot by 48-foot pre-engineered metal building will include office space, restrooms, and high-bay maintenance and storage areas supporting the lab's research operations.

2.7 Virginia State University (VSU) / Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Centennial Plot Monument

(Final Approval)

The proposed Alpha Kappa Alpha Centennial Plot Monument will be a thoughtfully designed structure located within the designated Greek plot area on the VSU campus.

The monument will feature durable materials, engraved historical inscriptions, and spaces for commemorative bricks personalized by donors. Its purpose is to memorialize the sorority's century-long impact at VSU, provide a gathering place for reflection and celebration, and visibly affirm the university's commitment to diversity, tradition, and student achievement.

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 VT / College of Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital Renovation and Expansion

(Preliminary Approval)

The project will renovate approximately 16,268 gross square feet and construct an addition of approximately 35,790 gross square feet, resulting in approximately 52,058 gross square feet of modernized clinical, instructional, and support space. Renovated and expanded areas will support small animal services, emergency and specialty care, intensive care, surgical services, pharmacy, diagnostic and treatment functions, consultation, student rounds, and related clinical support.

3.2 VT / Hahn Horticulture Garden Sculpture

(Final Approval)

Hahn Horticulture Garden is a nearly six-acre teaching and display garden on Virginia Tech's Blacksburg campus that serves the university and broader community. The proposed sculpture would be installed within the developing formal garden east of the existing Peggy Lee Hahn Pavilion, at the center of the garden pathway. The work is intended to serve as a focal point within the formal garden and provide a place for reflection within the larger garden setting. The sculpture would be anchored to a concrete foundation and supported by two stainless steel pipes.

3.3 William & Mary's Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) / Center for Outreach and Engagement

(Preliminary Approval)

The proposed Center for Outreach and Engagement will serve as a VIMS campus destination venue reinforcing the institution's role as a leader in marine science education, research, public engagement, and governmental collaboration. The building program includes assembly and event spaces, two classrooms, administrative office space, a catering kitchen, and building support and storage.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.1 The next AARB meeting will be held on Friday, November 6th in the Patrick Henry Building in the East Reading Room.

5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED