

Agenda
Art and Architectural Review Board
May 1, 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

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) / Route 606 Kalahari Elephant Sculptures

(Final Approval)

The proposed improvement consists of the installation of elephant sculptures, a low-profile masonry block wall, and coordinated native plantings within the Route 606 roundabout serving the new Kalahari Resorts & Conventions development in Spotsylvania County, Virginia.

2.2 Department of General Services Division of Engineering & Buildings (DEB) / Brumley MTN New Tower

(Final Approval)

Washington County, VA has an existing tower site with an existing 150' self-support (Lattice Type) tower within an existing Unmanned Communication Facility compound. The parcel containing the facility is owned by Commonwealth of Virginia. Washington County, VA is working with Motorola (Project Manager) and Mission 1 (engineer) to upgrade the facility. A NEW tower (115' Self Support Tower) installation is proposed within the existing fenced compound. The new tower will be constructed of hot-dip galvanized material and will therefore be grey in color. Communications Equipment to be mounted on the tower will be of similar color. The EXISTING tower (150' Self Support Tower) WILL remain on site after new tower installation. New ice bridge will be installed from the existing equipment shelter to the new tower.

2.3 Virginia State University (VSU) / Demolish Quad II

(Final Approval)

This project consists of the complete demolition of the Virginia State University 3300 Boisseau St., Quad II – Annex D leased modular unit located in the west area of campus. The area will be fine graded and seeded. The building is unoccupied. The University requests authority to demolish the building to eliminate associated liability and security risk and to facilitate a higher use of the land.

2.4 Christopher Newport University (CNU) / Demolition of Plant Operations & Warehouse Building

(Final Approval)

The existing CNU Plant Operations and Warehouse Building is a 36,000 SF converted grocery store located at 11 Sweetbriar Drive in Newport News Virginia. The original building was built in approximately 1960 and has served a variety of uses over its life prior to acquisition by the CNU Real Estate foundation in 2003, and later CNU in 2009. The single-story building is a combination of exposed CMU block, Brick, aluminum storefront, and metal panel. The roof is a low slope membrane roof with roof mounted mechanical units. The existing building has reached the end of its useful life and CNU has outgrown the building's footprint.

2.5 Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) / Bryant AHQ Combination Building & Fuel Center

(Final Approval)

The project consists of the construction of a new approximately 4,998 SF single-story VDOT Prototype Combo Building, designed for 20 or fewer Area Headquarters staff, at the Bryant Area Headquarters located at 33 Donahue Lane, Roseland, Nelson County, Virginia. The work includes associated site demolition, site development, utilities, foundations, building envelope, interior finishes, HVAC, plumbing, lighting, power, and lightning protection. The prototype building is characterized by a simple rectangular plan, gabled roof structures supported by shop-fabricated wood trusses, asphalt shingle roofing, and exterior materials that include fiber-cement siding and column wraps, concrete unit masonry accents, aluminum-framed entrances and storefronts, aluminum windows, and painted finishes.

2.6 Virginia Tech (VT) / Demolition of University Building 0428 and 0429

(Final Approval)

The university proposes the demolition of University Building Nos. 0428 (Tobacco Barn) and 0429 (Seed House), located on the golf course at the northwest corner of the main Blacksburg campus.

2.7 Virginia Tech (VT) / Demolition of University Building 0317

(Final Approval)

The university proposes the demolition of University Building No. 0317 (Residence), located at 1305 Southgate Drive on the main Blacksburg campus within the former Dairy Center area.

2.8 Virginia State University (VSU) / Lindsay Montague – Replace Windows

(Final Approval)

The project is a window replacement of the existing windows at the Lindsay Montague building. The most recent window replacement was in 2008.

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 Virginia Tech (VT) / New Residence Halls

(Preliminary Approval)

The New Residence Halls (1,200 Beds) project represents a major investment in Virginia Tech's residential campus model and the long-term stewardship of its housing portfolio. The project will expand the university's housing area into a new part of campus, establishing the foundation for broader residential life development on that side of campus, while delivering four new residential buildings totaling approximately 1,200 beds to support continued enrollment growth, strengthen the university's residential campus experience, and reinforce Virginia Tech's commitment to student success, retention, and community engagement.

3.2 Christopher Newport University (CNU) / Replace Plant Operations and Warehouse Building

(Final Approval)

The CNU replacement Plant Operations and Warehouse building is a 63,955 SF, single story building located in Newport News, across Warwick Blvd from Campus Proper. The proposed occupants range from the building trades, cart storage, warehousing, and administrative space for the physical plant team. It is a proposed brick building with cast stone banding and white finished aluminum storefront to match CNU's standard material palette. As part of CNU's "Going Greener" initiative, a goal of this project is to be Net Zero energy. To achieve this, the roof form will be a parapet condition with the flat roof primarily occupied with solar panels towards the rear of proposed design (upper and lower sections).

3.3 Virginia Department of General Services (DGS) / New Virginia State Police Training Academy

(Preliminary Approval)

This project is the replacement of the current Virginia State Police Training Academy. After initial new construction, demolition of several existing buildings, and final sitework, the campus will have three (3) new buildings erected on site as follows:

1. New ACADEMY Building: This 2-story facility includes: Dormitories, Classrooms, Supporting Administrative Offices, Cafeteria, VSP Museum and Memorial- totaling 127,513 GSF.
2. New Athletic TRAINING Building: This 1-story (with an elevated track,) includes: Commencement / Gymnasium, Pool, Locker Rooms, additional VSP Academy Training Spaces- totaling 48,122 GSF.
3. New K-9 Training Center: This 1-story pre-engineered metal building includes: Indoor Training and Administrative spaces, covered exterior space, and new kennels- totaling 4,622 GSF.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 4.1 The next AARB meeting will be held on Friday, June 5th in the Patrick Henry Building in the East Reading Room.

5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED