

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

APPLICATION: Facade Remodel AGENDA ITEM: AR-2

(amendment)

PREPARED BY: Craig Jimenez MEETING DATE: January 28, 2015

**Planning Division Manager** 

**TITLE:** Special Review of Façade modification to a Building in the Historic

Commercial Downtown Zone (Amendment)

**APPLICANT:** George Donoyan, applicant

**REQUEST:** Review a modification in the design of previously approved railing

enclosing a front patio

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** (Categorical Exemption (Class 1)

**DISCUSSION:** On October 29, 2014, the Historic Preservation Commission reviewed and approved a proposal for a modification to the façade on a portion of a building at 504 South Myrtle Avenue. The previously approved proposal included the removal of two display windows at the front of the building and replacing them with wood panel accordion doors that, when closed are flush with the existing entry door which is set back 11'-7" from the front of the building. The purpose is to create a covered patio in the front of the building.

The two seating areas will be enclosed by 42" high railing which runs along the front and return along the walkway to the entrance. The previously approved railing was a very simple picket design. The applicant wishes to install a more decorative design with a circular pattern which would include circular colored accents. The applicant has provided a photograph of the design used in a different location.

The design has similarities to the patio enclosure design at Mundial. The railing is a decorative element and does not impact the building structure and will add an additional design element to the storefront.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Historic Preservation Commission approve the proposed design for the railing. If the Historic Preservation Commission concurs then, the appropriate action would be a motion to:

Approved the modified design of the patio enclosure at 504 South Myrtle Avenue

