

# Appendix A: Response to Committee Concerns

**Patrick A.J. Vusir**

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Hello Patrick,  
Please find attached our architectural drawings and renderings for the Heritage Committee July Meeting. Please ensure the Committee members receive all these documents and reviews them before the meeting. We believe the enclosed provides more clarity and assurance that their initial concerns have been addressed with care and that our resolve is appropriate.

**We would also like to address the following to the Committee before the meeting and as part of this re-submission:**

1. The reason for the addition is to make the south stair a safe passage in all seasons. The majority of parishioners come from the south and take this stair. The parish is in support of this stair enclosure.
2. An existing barrier free entry is available to the north and has access to an elevator for those who want to use it. There is no need nor desire from the parish to make the new south stair barrier free. Making it barrier free would not be possible unless a second elevator is provided, which would not be feasible.
3. The new addition is mostly a glass enclosure with a stone base to conceal the stair. The stone base is provided to match the existing Rotunda stone base. The glass enclosure is provided to match that of the existing 2012 addition. All addition materials and finishes will match same as existing.
4. The addition is mostly glass so that it can be seen as translucent to the existing façade, and so that the public can fully see the tower section to be enclosed both day and night. We like the scale of the addition as it supports a series of raised roof levels toward the south – it is in keeping with the 2012 addition design concept – please refer to the attached Brant Street elevation rendering.
5. We detailed a barrel vault roof section directly above the existing tower arched window and brick course drip mould to ensure the new construction does not interfere with the window or its arched masonry.
6. We encourage the Committee to visit the church with these drawings so that they can see that the design intent is based on a sensitive approach to match existing and to celebrate the tower section to be enclosed.

Regards,

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