

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS

MAY 26 MEETING

The Historic Preservation Review Board met and considered the following items. Present: Gretchen Pfaehler (Chair), Rauzia Ally, Andrew Aurbach, Brian Crane, Graham Davidson, Nancy Metzger, Joseph Taylor. Absent: Charles Wilson.

AGENDA

HISTORIC DISTRICT NOMINATION

Mount Vernon Seminary for Girls, 3801 Nebraska Avenue NW, Case 15-22.

The Board designated the property a historic district on the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites and recommended that the nomination be forwarded to the National Register of Historic Places for listing as a site of local and national importance with Periods of Significance of 3000 BC-1600 AD and 1916-1952. Vote: 7-0.

16TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1101-1111 16th Street NW, HPA 16-157, concept/façade alterations to non-contributing buildings.

The Board found the revised concept to be compatible with the character of the historic district, encouraged the applicants to continue working on the detailing of the glass hyphen elements and metal spandrel panels, the penthouse design and materials, and refining the landscape plan so that it is compatible with the elegant character of 16th Street. Final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.

DUPONT CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

2000 Florida Avenue NW, HPA 16-258, concept/exterior alteration to American Geophysical Union

The Board approved the concept as designed with direction to work with the staff on finalizing the details for the windows and entry element and to re-design or eliminate the West elevation feature. Furthermore the Board cited that while approving this concept, this project is unique in mission, scope, and site context and should not be seen as a precedent for large solar canopies. Vote: 7-0.

HISTORIC LANDMARK/16TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

St. Regis (formerly Carlton Hotel), 923 16th Street NW, HPA 16-293, concept/side and roof addition.

The Board found the concept to be generally compatible with the character of the landmark, but that revisions and refinement were needed to the composition and first floors of the rear addition on K Street, and in the proportion of glazing to masonry and detailing of the roof addition. Final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.

HISTORIC LANDMARK

McMillan Reservoir Park, HPA 16-310, 2501 First Street NW, final concept/park, youth service courts.

The Board found the final concept plans for the service courts, park and community center to be consistent with the previous conceptual plans, the 2014 preservation report, the approved master plan, and the Mayor's Agent's order, and compatible with the landmark, but asked the applicants to introduce some additional landscape into the plaza and to include some type of water feature back into the design of the south service court entrance. Final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 5-0.

JUNE 2 MEETING

The Historic Preservation Review Board met and considered the following items. Present: Gretchen Pfaehler (Chair), Rauzia Ally, Andrew Aurbach, Brian Crane, Graham Davidson, Nancy Metzger, Joseph Taylor, and Charles Wilson.

SHAW HISTORIC DISTRICT

1336 8th Street, NW, HPA 16-353, concept/new construction.

The Board found the conceptual massing plan, height, materials and architectural approach to be compatible with the character of the historic district. As the project continues to be developed, the applicants were asked to illustrate and address the large unarticulated south party wall, the tenuous nature of the intersection of the lower mass and intermediate mass at the corner of 8th & O, and the storefronts. Vote: 8-0.

14TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1701-1711 14th Street, NW, HPA 16-379, concept/renovation and new construction of seven story retail and residential building

The Board found the conceptual preservation plans for the rehabilitation of 1701 and 1711 14th Street and the conceptual design for new construction to be compatible with the character of the historic district. As the project continues to be refined, the Board emphasized the importance of retaining the high quality of materials shown and the need to full detail their use, and asked that the points at which the walls and roofs of the historic buildings intersect with the new construction continue to be refined. Final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.

MOUNT PLEASANT HISTORIC DISTRICT

3118-3120 16th Street NW, HPA 16-312, revised concept/side and roof additions to two buildings.

The Board support the consolidation of the two lots, the connection of the houses with only the necessary demolition, the construction of a two-story side addition to 3118 16th Street (to be further revised and lowered), the construction of a third story atop the rear wing of 3120 16th Street. The Board supported the idea of a roof addition, but only if it is made invisible or only minimally visible from 16th Street. Vote: 8-0.

SHERIDAN KALORAMA HISTORIC DISTRICT

2161 Florida Avenue NW, HPA 16-377, concept/roof addition on two-story carriage house.

The Board found the concept for a third story addition uniquely appropriate for this building's context, and asked that the detailing of the brick element and the corner continue to be developed; final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 8-0.

The Board approved the following items on the consent calendar on May 26, 2016 by a vote of 6-0 (Davidson and Wilson absent).

HISTORIC LANDMARKS

LANDMARK NOMINATION

U.S. Postal Service Mail Equipment Shops, 2135 5th Street NE, Case 16-08.

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3703 Reno Road NW, HPA 16-382, concept/rear addition.

3512 Rodman Street NW, HPA 16-345, concept/rear addition and front porch.

DUPONT CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

1510 and 1512 21st St NW, HPA 16-148, concept/renovation and four-story rear addition.

TAKOMA PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

324 Aspen Street NW, HPA 16-372, concept/rear addition

U STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1909 9th Street NW, HPA 16-095, concept/roof addition.

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