GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS JUNE 25, 2009

The Historic Preservation Review Board met to consider the following items on June 25, 2009. The meeting was held at 441 4th Street, NW (#1 Judiciary Square) in Room 220 South at 10:00 a.m. **The following members were present:** Andrew Aurbach, Elinor Bacon, Tersh Boasberg, Catherine Buell, Maria Casarella, Joseph Taylor, and John Vlach. Absent: James Kane and Robert Sonderman.

AGENDA

LANDMARK NOMINATION HEARING

Kennedy-Warren Apartments, 3133-33 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Case #09-03 Amendment to existing designation for interior spaces.

The Board continued the hearing to a later date to enable HPO and legal counsel time to review extensive documentation not introduced until the hearing date. Vote: 7-0.

PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

514 10th Street, NW, HPA #09-228, concept/façade alterations.

The Review Board approved the general conceptual design for the treatment of the façade, and requested the applicants to continue developing this and the other aspects of the proposal (specifically including the penthouse) for return to the Board when appropriate. Vote: 6-0. For: Aurbach, Bacon, Boasberg, Buell, Casarella, Vlach. Recused: Taylor.

Note: Mr. Aurbach departed the meeting at this time. There were six members present for the remainder of the day.

LEDROIT PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

1859 3rd Street, NW, HPA #09-181, revised concept/subdivision, new construction.

The staff recommended that the Board approve the proposal in concept, with the conditions that: (1) the subdivision be approved by staff only when there are working drawings submitted for the construction of the "carriage house" building; (2) that the existing driveway be removed, replaced with lawn or other planting, and its curb cut closed; (3) that the paving on the "carriage house" lot be limited to parking spaces and associated maneuvering space on the west side of the building, plus a lead walk from the street running along the south property line and continuing around the west and north walls of the building to the entrance; (4) that there be no fences constructed between the historic house and this central lot; (5) that the deteriorated exterior condition of the historic structure be addressed as soon as possible; and (6) that the amount of paved area be minimized. Vote: 5-1. For: Bacon, Boasberg, Buell, Casarella, Vlach. Against: Taylor.

LOGAN CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

1207 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, HPA #09-234, alteration/vinyl windows.

The HPO recommended that the Review Board deny the application as inconsistent with the purposes of the preservation act as the alteration is incompatible with the character of the Logan Circle Historic District. Staff Report approved by a vote of 6-0.

MOUNT VERNON SQUARE HISTORIC DISTRICT

1209-1211 4th Street, NW, HPA #09-151, concept/third floor addition to two-story rowhouses.

The HPO recommended that the Board give concept approval to the design and delegate final approval to staff with the following condition: no portion of new construction shall be visible from 4th Street NW. Vote 6-0 for approval of the staff report on 1209 only. The Board deferred consideration of request for work on 1211until a later date.

U STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1114-1118 U Street, NW, HPA #09-289, concept/second floor addition to one-story non-contributing building. As the HPO recommended, the Review Board directed the applicant to continue working on the conceptual design for the second floor addition, and asked the staff to determine whether the project should return to the HPRB for further review. Vote: 6-0.

REVIEW AND COMMENT

2010 Annual Work Plan.

The Board provided comments on the proposed HPO work plan, and received public comments from the Capitol Hill Restoration Society. Board members suggested emphasis on coordination of any potential financial incentives with other District programs, and development of a program for informational signage at historic landmarks.

Revised Regulations, DCMR Title 10A Chapter 20 (Design and ConstructionStandards and Guidelines), adding new sections addressing the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Fair Housing Act.

The Board endorsed a document presented by staff that describes the written procedures for the Board and staff to will follow when considering applications for accessibility that may be subject to the equal housing opportunity provisions of the Fair Housing Act. Vote: 6-0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Historic Preservation Review Board considered the following consent items on June 25, 2009. **The items** proposed for approval by the Board based upon the written record, without discussion, were approved by a vote of 7-0.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

217 10th Street, NE, HPA #09-227, two-story rear addition.

The HPO recommended that the Board approve the concept as consistent with the purposes of the preservation act and delegate final approval to staff.

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3310 Rowland Place, NW, HPA #09-286, one-story rear addition.

The HPO recommended that the Board approve the addition as consistent with the Act.

DUPONT CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

1726 Connecticut Avenue, NW, HPA #09-280, storefront alterations.

The alterations are restorative in nature, will improve the building's streetscape appearance, and are consistent with the Board's preservation standards. The HPO recommended approval of the project and delegation of final review and approval of details and finishes to the staff. This recommendation was supported by the Dupont Circle Conservancy.

U STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1819 10th Street, NW, HPA #09-281, concept/rear addition.

The HPO recommended that the Review Board approve proposed Scheme B in concept and delegate the final review to staff with the following conditions: (1)The applicant removes the 5'6" parapet wall from the proposed 11' x 13' second-story addition; (2) The applicant coordinates final material selection with HPO staff.

WOODLEY PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

2718 27th Street, NW, HPA #09-284, concept/replace two-story rear addition.

The HPO recommended that the Board approve the application as submitted and delegate further review to staff.

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