GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS

January 25, 2024

The Historic Preservation Review Board meet via WebEx on this date to consider the following items. Present for the meeting were: Marnique Heath, Chair; Andrew Aurbach, Matt Bell, Gretchen Pfaehler and Carisa Stanley Beatty.

AGENDA

YOUNG, BROWN, PHELPS AND SPINGARN CAMPUS HISTORIC DISTRICT

850 26th Street NE, HPA 24-086, update on concept/addition and renovation

The Board approved the concept with the conditions that traditional red brick be used for the entirety of the new connector and gym; that Option #2 be the base material of the new connector and gym; that the connector be simplified while more detail, such as a belt course below the cornice, be incorporated into the new gymnasium to make it more dominant than the connector; and that further review be delegated to HPO staff. Vote: 4-0 (Matt Bell recused)

HISTORIC LANDMARK

Alexander Crummel School, 1900 Gallaudet Street NE, HPA 23-565, concept/renovation and addition The Board approved the concept and delegated further review to HPO staff. Vote: 5-0

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3427 Wisconsin Avenue NW, HPA 23-511, concept/new construction of apartment building The Board voted to support the revised concept and delegated further review to HPO staff, on the condition that adjustments be made to lower the entrance canopy, make it thinner and lighter in design, and to detach it from the flanking projecting bays. In addition, the Board requested that the design of the bays at either side of the entry be made to mirror each other, or to appear symmetrical. Vote: 5-0

FOXHALL VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT

4450 Reservoir Road NW, HPA 24-047, concept/solar panel installation

The Board did not take an action but asked the applicant to study alternatives and available technologies to further reduce the visibility of solar panels, and to work with the community in developing the revised plans. The project should return to the Board for review when ready.

U STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

2012 10th Street NW, HPA 23-093, concept/two story roof addition

The Board did not take a vote but found the proposed four story rear addition to be incompatible with the character of the historic district or sufficiently rententive of the character and fabric of the subject property, because the proposed addition is too large and too tall. The Board requested that the concept be revised to address the staff report comments on scale, setback, repairs, and areaways, and return for review after working with the ANC.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

425 4th Street NE, HPA 24-046, concept/three-story addition at rear The Board approved the concept and delegated further review to HPO staff. Vote: 4-1

DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

507-517 H Street NW, HPA 24-089, revised concept/nine-story rear addition

The Board approved the revised concept, contingent on the applicants working to develop a preservation plan for the historic buildings and restudying the west side of the tower to better reflect the character of the east side, and delegated further review to HPO staff. Vote: 5-0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved by a vote of 5-0.

HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION

The University Club of Washington, DC, 1135 16th Street NW, Square 197, Lot 840, Case 24-01 The Board requested that the nomination be revised to strengthen the discussion of the property's historical and architectural relationship to the 16th Street neighborhood and to address directly whether the University Club and Racquet Club were Whites-only organizations.

BLOOMINGDALE HISTORIC DISTRICT

51 V Street NW, HPA 24-090, concept/construct two-story garage [deferred at the request of the ANC]

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

229-233 Pennsylvania Avenue and 203 3rd Street SE, HPA 24-054 concept/subdivision, alterations and additions

MOUNT PLEASANT HISTORIC DISTRICT

3306 19th Street NW, HPA 24-091, concept/construct two-story garage

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