

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS
JUNE 26, 2008

The Historic Preservation Review Board met and considered the following items on June 26, 2008.

HISTORIC LANDMARK NOMINATIONS

The United States Tax Court, 400 2nd Street, NW, HP #08-14.

The HPO recommended the Board designate as a District of Columbia Historic Landmark the U.S. Tax Court Building and its plaza at 400 2nd Street, NW. It is further recommended that the HPO concur with GSA that the building and its landscaped plaza meets National Register Criteria and that the application be forwarded to the National Park Service for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Approved, 8-0.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, HP #08-15.

The HPO recommended that the Board designate as a District of Columbia Landmark the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Building, also known as the Robert C. Weaver Federal Building. It is further recommended that the application be forwarded to the National Park Service for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The 1990s landscape elements are considered non-contributing elements of the landmark. Approved, 8-0.

~~Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW, HP #08-17.~~

This case was deferred at the request of the applicant/owner and the ANC. It will be heard on July 24.

The Strand Theater, 5129-5131 Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue, NE, HP #08-09.

The HPO recommended the Board designate as a District of Columbia Landmark the Strand Theater and that the application be forwarded to the National Park Service for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Approved, 8-0.

FOGGY BOTTOM HISTORIC DISTRICT

912 25th Street, NW, HPA #08-157: alterations/reconstruction of roof addition.

The Review Board requested that the staff work with the applicant to determine whether some additional setback would reduce the visibility of the addition from the front of the house if the addition is to be reconstructed. The Board noted that there is an increase in the volume of the roof top structure as a result of the proposed design. In addition, the Board requested additional drawings, and a restudy of the wall material and rear balconies. Vote, 8-0.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

424 11th Street, SE, HPA #08-285: two-story rear addition.

The Review Board approved the addition and alterations as consistent with the purposes of the preservation act. Vote 8-0.

~~1131 D Street, NE, HPA #07-337: concept/alterations, two-story side addition.~~

As the applicant did not appear for the hearing, the case was removed from the agenda and is rescheduled for the July 24, 2008 meeting.

19 4th Street, NE, HPA #08-321: concept/rear addition and façade alterations.

The HPO recommended the Review Board approve the addition and alterations as consistent with the purposes of the preservation act with the following conditions and delegate final approval to staff: (A) The alterations to the front elevation should be restudied as directed, with the entrance door remaining on the front elevation; (B) The rear addition should be restudied, especially the point where the addition springs from the gable roof, in order to minimize any visibility from the view on 4th Street. The Board directed that the proposed restoration of the front elevation return for review at a future meeting. Vote, 7-0.

225 9th Street, NE, HPA #08-239: concept/demolition and replacement of garage.

The HPO recommended the Review Board approve the new construction as consistent with the purposes of the preservation act and delegate final approval to staff; (A) The height of the garage and rooftop deck should be restudied in order to give it a more open feel. The Board also noted that the size of the garage has been reduced to a maximum depth of 20' and a maximum height of 14'. Vote, 7-0.

INFORMATIONAL

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1770 Euclid Street, NW, HPA #08-319: pending landmark, concept/alterations, hotel addition.

Informational presentation only. No vote was taken.

~~Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW, HPA #08-309: concept/alteration and construction of 11-story apartment addition.~~

This case has been deferred at the request of the applicant/owner and the ANC. It will be heard on July 24, 2008.

Washington Convention Center Hotel, an addition to the landmark American Federation of Labor Building, 901 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, HPA #08-281: concept/subdivision, alteration, new construction of 14-story hotel.
Informational presentation only. No vote was taken.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Historic Preservation Review Board considered the following consent items on June 26, 2008. These items were proposed for approval by the Board based upon the written record, without discussion.

The Consent Calendar was approved by a vote of 8-0 with the exception of 522 8th Street NE, which was approved by a vote of 7-0-1.

HISTORIC LANDMARKS

L'Enfant Plan, portions of 2nd – 6th Streets, N Street, Potomac Avenue, Tingley Street and Water Street, SE, SO #07-8801 and 8802, partial street closings and reopenings at Southeast Federal Center.

The HPO recommended the Board report to the Surveyor as follows: Although the currently proposed street closures, openings and dedications will represent an alteration to the L'Enfant Plan, they are consistent with the Southeast Federal Center Revised Master Plan which was endorsed by the Historic Preservation Review Boards on May 25, 2006.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

227 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, HPA #08-316, concept/addition, public space alterations.

The HPO recommended the Review Board approve the project as proposed and delegate final approval to staff.

510 8th Street, NE, HPA 06-312, revised concept/roof addition.

The HPO recommended that the Review Board approve the addition as consistent with the Historic Preservation Act and delegate final approval to staff.

522 8th Street, NE, HPA #08-273, concept/rear addition.

The HPO recommended the Board approve the project in concept as consistent with the Historic Protection Act and delegate final approval to staff.

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3602 Newark Street, NE, HPA #08-312, concept/alterations, construction of accessory building.

The HPO recommended the Review Board approve the alterations and new construction as consistent with the purposes of the preservation act with the following conditions and delegate final approval to staff: (A) The elliptical window on the side (east) elevation should be eliminated; (B) The alterations to the second story double hung window on the side (east) elevation should be restudied as directed above; (C) The skylights on the side (west) addition should be restudied as directed above.

DUPONT CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

2019 R Street, NW, HPA #08-311, concept/rear alterations, window replacement.

The HPO recommended the Review Board approve the proposed design concept as consistent with the purpose of the Preservation Act, and delegate final review and approval to staff.

14TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1435 Q Street, NW, HPA #08-317, concept/rear alterations and addition.

The HPO recommended the Review Board approve the proposed design concept as consistent with the purpose of the Preservation Act, and delegate final review and approval to staff.

LEDROIT PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

1915 6th Street, NW, HPA #08-310, concept/ new construction of three-story rowhouse.

The HPO recommended the Review Board approve the conceptual design with staff comments, and delegate final review to staff.

SHERIDAN-KALORAMA AND MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE HISTORIC DISTRICTS

2424 Kalorama Road, NW, HPA #08-357, concept/rear addition.

The staff recommended that the Review Board approve the conceptual design as consistent with the character of the Sheridan-Kalorama Historic District, and delegate final approval to staff.

SIXTEENTH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1200 16th Street, NW, HPA #08-322, concept/alteration, construction of porte-cochere.

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

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