

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS
July 25 and August 1, 2019

JULY 25 AGENDA

Present: Marnique Heath, Chair; Andrew Aurbach, Thomas Brokaw, Linda Greene, Outerbridge Horsey and Gretchen Pfaehler. Absent: Brian Crane, Barbara Jowers-Barber, Chris Landis.

LANDMARK DESIGNATION HEARING

Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol Street SE, amendment of existing nomination to include 1983 wing and its interior, Case 17-07.

The case was deferred at the request of the applicant to the August 1st meeting.

Barry Farm Dwellings, 1100-1371 Stevens Road, 2677-2687 Wade Road and 2652 Firth Sterling Avenue SE, Case 19-07.

The Board heard testimony on the nomination and continued the case to the August 1st meeting for deliberation and vote; the record was kept open for written testimony.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

215 G Street NE, HPA 19-461, permit/modernization and addition to Logan School.

The Board expressed general support for what was presented but requested an additional opportunity to review further refinements to the materials, cladding, scale, finishes and other details as outlined in the staff report and as expressed in comments and testimony. Vote 3-0.

1104 C Street SE, HPA 19-451, concept/new basement and basement entrance with areaway.

The Board found the project to be incompatible with the Capitol Hill Historic District, noting the difficulty in accommodating compatible basement entrances in buildings with existing at-grade entrances. Vote: 3-0.

MOUNT VERNON SQUARE HISTORIC DISTRICT

1212, 1216, 1218 4th Street NW, HPA 19-464, concept/new addition to 1212 and 1216 4th Streets NW; new multi-family unit at 1218 4th Street.

The Board found the concept to combine lots, add a partial third floor to 1212-1216 4th Street, and build a new three-story brick building at 1218 4th Street NW to be compatible with the character of the historic district, and that final approval be delegated to staff on the condition that the corner projection bay be relocated onto the 4th Street elevation. Vote: 3-0.

HISTORIC LANDMARK/MOUNT PLEASANT HISTORIC DISTRICT

1656-1658 Park Road NW (landmark), HPA 19-402, permit/after-the-fact application to pave the front yards and reroof.

The application was continued to a later date at the request of the applicant in anticipation of revisions to the project.

AUGUST 1 AGENDA

Present: Marnique Heath, Chair; Andrew Aurbach, Thomas Brokaw, Linda Greene, Barbara Jowers-Barber, Outerbridge Horsey and Gretchen Pfaehler. Absent: Brian Crane and Chris Landis.

ANACOSTIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

2216 Chester Street SE, HPA 19-463, concept/proposed subdivision of existing lot into two lots; two single-family dwellings each with an accessory dwelling unit.

The Board recommended that the application be revised to address design details (such as the porch details, the cornice and window heights), site drainage and utility locations; to specify materials; to consider separating the front or making it look like a multi-family building; to consider separating the rear buildings and/or reducing them in size or apparent size. The Board also recommended that the time used for revision also be used to afford ANC review. Vote: 7-0.

2242 Chester Street SE, HPA 19-462, concept/new construction of semi-detached single-family dwelling and accessory dwelling unit.

The Board recommended that the application be revised to address design details (such as the porch details, the cornice and window heights); to specify materials; to consider putting the side yard on the opposite side of the lot; and most important, to shrink and simplify the proposed accessory dwelling unit to see if it can be compatible in this modest rear yard. The Board also recommended that the time used for revision also be used to afford ANC review. Vote: 7-0.

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3301 Lowell Street NW, HPA 19-325, revised concept/alterations and addition to John Eaton School.

The Board approved the revised concept with the direction that the redundant sign over the front door be eliminated and that additional efforts be made to unite the language of the front and rear of the addition. Finalization of the scope of preservation work and construction approval was delegated to HPO. Vote: 7-0.

3401 Lowell Street NW, HPA 19-270, revised concept/rear addition.

The Board found the revised concept compatible with the historic district with the conditions that the corner piers on the addition be make smaller or differentiated from those on the house and that the original bay window on the 34th Street elevation be either retained or its form replicated. Final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.

DESIGN GUIDELINES

Sustainability Guide for Older and Historic Properties.

The Board deferred consideration of this item.

16TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1145 17th Street NW, HPA 19-460, concept/ new entrance pavilion addition; renovation of ground floor public space (and 1600 M St NW).

The Board approved the concept as compatible with the character of the 16th Street Historic District with the condition that the first-floor canopy projection on the 1963 building be retained. Final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.

WALTER REED HISTORIC DISTRICT

6900 Georgia Avenue NW (1100-1500 block of Aspen Street), HPA 19-456, concept/widen Aspen Street; HPA 19-455, permit/raze Buildings 31 and 84.

The Board recommended against preservation clearance of permit applications to raze Buildings 31 and 84, because their demolition would not retain, enhance or adapt contributing structures, contrary to the purposes of the preservation law. The Board supported the concept for the road-widening and trail, with the proposal to be revised to avoid Buildings 31 and 84 and further developed to depict construction details such as retaining walls, fences, etc. The Board received and acknowledged the resolution of ANC 4B, and determined that the balancing of the preservation and safety and parking concerns would be appropriate for the Mayor's Agent's consideration. Vote: 7-0.

LANDMARK DESIGNATION HEARING

Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol Street SE, amendment of existing nomination to include 1980s wing and its interior, Case 17-07.

The Board concurred with the HPO report that the application be denied as it did not include sufficient context for designation of the 1983 wing but encouraged that a more complete nomination be considered for refileing. Vote: 5-1-1.

HISTORIC LANDMARK/CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol Street SE, HPA 19-385, concept/pending landmark, interior alteration for 1980s wing (*to be considered only if designated*).

The Board did not consider the concept as the amended nomination was denied.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following cases were approved on the Consent Calendar on July 25:

ANACOSTIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

1524 W Street SE, HPA 19-459, permit/two-story rear addition.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

221 10th Street SE, HPA 19-314, concept/two-story carriage house with accessory apartment.

321 6th Street SE, HPA 19-445, concept/new two-story rear addition; new basement.

616 D Street NE, HPA 19-441, permit/three-story addition.

639 E Street SE, HPA 19-465, concept/remove existing rear addition; new three-story rear addition; new front windows and door.

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3541 Quebec Street NW, HPA 19-458, concept/renovate single-family dwelling; repair existing addition; enclose screen porch; new windows.

3517 Ordway Street NW, HPA 19-450, permit/renovate entire house with a three-story rear addition.

DUPONT CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

11 Dupont Circle NW, HPA 19-411, concept/façade and public space modifications.

1748 Swann Street NW, HPA 19-444, concept/interior renovation and rear elevation alterations.

1620 Riggs Place NW, HPA 19-383, concept/new accessory building.

14TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1204 Q Street NW, HPA 19-466, concept/addition above garage; replace all windows and doors; canopy at entry; remodel penthouse.

GWU/WEST END HISTORIC DISTRICT

515 22nd Street NW, HPA 19-457, concept/rehabilitate existing office building; roof addition.

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