

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS
December 15, 2022

The Historic Preservation Review Board met on this date to consider the following items.

Present for the meeting were: Marnique Heath, Chair; Andrew Aurbach, Outerbridge Horsey, Gretchen Pfaehler and Carisa Stanley Beatty. Absent: Matt Bell, Linda Greene.

AGENDA

HISTORIC DESIGNATION HEARING

Yellow Tavern, 1524 33rd Street NW, application for revocation of designation, Case 22-17.

The Board revoked the designation of 1524 33rd Street NW, because the claim of it having been the Yellow Tavern, or any tavern, is unsupported by evidence; the building(s) do not stand out among examples of Federal architecture; the property has historic integrity issues that diminish its significance as a Federal-period dwelling; an association with significant individuals has not been established; and it should not be considered a landmark that stands apart from the related 1528 33rd Street. Vote: 5-0.

GEORGETOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

1524 33rd Street NW, HPA 22-313, concept/subdivision of one lot into three lots and construction of two three-story rowhouses.

The Board approved the concept for the project, including the necessary subdivision, as compatible with and sufficiently retentive of the character and fabric of the property and the historic district and, therefore, consistent with the purposes of the preservation law. The Board delegated to staff further review, with the condition that the applicant will provide to the staff the proposed easements to govern the parking and access at the rear of the new construction. Vote: 5-0.

ANACOSTIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

2352 High Street SE, HPA 23-099, concept/ new construction of eleven multi-unit Townhouses.

The Board found the general site plan of two rows of attached houses to be supportable but commented that further design work was needed for the project to achieve compatibility with the Anacostia Historic District. Areas for revision should include exploring whether the two rows of houses could be detached or, if not, have the end units pulled further apart to align with the other houses in each row, converting the end units to frame rather than brick and restudying the tall south walls facing the parking area, incorporating porches, providing greater detailing and material richness, and showing where HVAC and trash storage will be located. The project should return for review when ready.

FOGGY BOTTOM HISTORIC DISTRICT

~~900 25th Street NW, HPA 23-093, concept/side-areaway.~~

The case was deferred at the request of the ANC.

U STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

2010 13th Street NW, HPA 23-092, permit/front areaway and stair.

The Board found the concept for the front areaway to be inconsistent with its guidelines and with the U Street Historic District. Vote: 5-0.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

531 12th Street SE, HPA 23-090, concept/third-story addition and window well and alterations to areaway at side.

The Board found the project for the rooftop addition, door replacement, curb cut, and driveway to be incompatible with the Capitol Hill historic district. Vote: 5-0.

647 G Street SE, HPA 23-096, concept/three-story rear addition and front areaway.

The Board found the extent of demolition to be inconsistent with its regulations and the proposed areaway to be incompatible with its guidelines and the Capitol Hill Historic District. Vote: 5-0..

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

HISTORIC LANDMARK

Town Center East, 300 K Street SW, HPA 23-036, concept/new construction of 11-story residential building.

The Board removed the project from the consent calendar and asked that it be scheduled for the agenda at January meeting.

Plan of the City of Washington, Squares 613 and 667, HPA 23-088, partial street closures for park rehabilitation at Buzzard Point.

Spingarn Senior High School Campus, 2550 Benning Road SE, HPA 23-097, concept/addition to car barn; storage track. *The Board removed the project from the consent calendar at the request of the Kingman Park Civic Association and asked that it be scheduled for the agenda at January meeting.*

BLOOMINGDALE HISTORIC DISTRICT

54 Rhode Island Avenue NW, HPA 23-039, concept/roof addition.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

117 12th Street SE, HPA 22-373, concept/new construction of two-story dwelling on alley.

301 Massachusetts Avenue NE, HPA 23-098, concept/enclosed sidewalk seating area.

The Board acknowledged the support of the ANC and asked staff to work with the applicant on addressing the recommendation of the ANC that the roof form be modified.

LEDROIT PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

621 Florida Avenue NW, HPA 23-041, concept/additions.

The Board removed the project from the consent calendar at the request of the ANC and asked for the project to return on the January meeting after addressing the concerns raised by the ANC on the height of the garage and the visibility to the rooftop railing.

MOUNT PLEASANT HISTORIC DISTRICT

1614 Kilbourne Place NW, HPA 22-365, design development/three-story side addition and alterations

SHERIDAN KALORAMA HISTORIC DISTRICT

2331 California Street NW, HPA 23-095, two-story rear addition; new window openings.

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