GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS February 25 and March 4, 2021

FEBRUARY 25th MEETING

Present for the meeting were: Marnique Heath, Chair; Andrew Aurbach, Matthew Bell, Outerbridge Horsey, Alexandra Jones, Sandra Jowers-Barber, Gretchen Pfaehler. Absent: Linda Greene.

AGENDA

HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION HEARINGS

Bazelon-McGovern House, 3020 University Terrace NW, Case 21-02.

The Board voted to designate the Bazelon-McGovern House, 3020 University Terrace NW, a historic landmark to be entered into the DC Inventory of Historic Sites, and recommended forwarding the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places under National Register Criteria B, for its associations with David Bazelon and George McGovern, and C as a good representative example of a Japanese-influenced mid-century modern residence in the District of Columbia. Vote: 7-0.

Episcopal Home for Children, 5901 Utah Avenue NW, Case 21-08.

The Board designated the Episcopal Home for Children a historic landmark to be entered in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites, and recommended that the nomination be forwarded to the National Register of Historic Places, for listing as of local significance, with a period of significance of 1929 to 1957. The Board requested additional context on District of Columbia orphanages and on the Bell family's earlier work with deaf children. Vote: 7-0.

POTENTIAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

4220 Nebraska Avenue NW (Under Oak), HPA 21-130, courtesy concept review/ preservation plan for house and outbuildings; new construction of school building and underground parking garage.

The Board members expressed concerns that the proposed new construction was far too dominant in relationship to the site's buildings and landscape and needed to be substantially reduced in above-grade size and mass in order to be found compatible. The members cited the manner in which the existing house, while large, was broken down into smaller components, which might provide direction for a future design. Concerns were also raised about the new building's aggressive geometry, the orientation of the pavilion on 42nd Street, the lack of a defined space for the interior of the campus, and the loss of the frame garage.

U STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1211 V Street NW, HPA 21-176, concept/roof deck.

The Board found the roof deck to be compatible with the historic district but the visible stair tower to be incompatible, and recommended that the applicant replace the stair tower with a non-visible roof hatch, with final approval of this modified delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.

14th Street Historic District

1451 Q Street NW, HPA 21-103, concept/ construct three-story addition at roof and rear of existing rowhouse. *The Board found the concept to be generally compatible with the character of the historic district, contingent on the third story addition being clad in a stucco or brick finish, that the basement window well be modified as individual wells that do not require guardrails, that provision be made for mechanical equipment in a visually unobtrusive location in the side or rear yards, that the first 10 feet of the existing roof be maintained so as to push the second floor terrace back from the façade, and that the windows on the east elevation of the third floor be eliminated on the front half of the addition. Final approval was delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.*

ANACOSTIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

1238 V Street SE, HPA 21-047, revised concept/new construction of duplex townhouses. *The Board approved revised concept to be compatible with the character of the historic district, contingent on the revisions to the front porch design outlined in the HPO report, and that final construction approval be delegated to staff. Vote: 7-0.*

1321-1323 Maple View Place SE, HPA 21-178, concept/new construction of four single-family houses. *This meeting continued a second day on March 4. See posting below.*

MARCH 4TH MEETING

Present for the meeting were: Marnique Heath, Chair; Andrew Aurbach, Matthew Bell, Linda Greene, Outerbridge Horsey, Alexandra Jones, Sandra Jowers-Barber, Gretchen Pfaehler.

SHAW HISTORIC DISTRICT

1400 9th Street NW, HPA 21-142, concept/demolition of existing building and new construction of three-story mixed-use building.

The Board determined that it needed to conduct a site visit to see the building in person before making a determination about whether it had lost integrity sufficient to be determined non-contributing. The Board asked that the case be rescheduled on a future agenda following the site visit.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

631 G Street SE, HPA 21-177, concept/second story addition to garage. *The Board found the design solution for the second story addition compatible and appropriate for the specific context of this alley. Vote:* 8-0.

16TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1600 M Street NW (National Geographic), HPA 19-460, concept/supplemental information regarding proposed relocation of sculpture in relation to proposed addition.

The Board reaffirmed its previous conceptual approval of the entrance plaza and pavilion project, which includes relocation of the Marabar sculpture off site, as compatible with the character of the 16th Street Historic District, and delegated final approval to staff. The Board asked that the sculpture removal plans be inclusive of the piece in its entirety. Vote: 7-0

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3410 Rodman Street NW, HPA 21-092, revised concept/two-story rear addition. *The Board found the revised concept to be responsive to its previous direction and compatible with the property and historic district, with final construction plan approval delegated to staff. Vote: 7-1.*

ANACOSTIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

1321-1323 Maple View Place SE, HPA 21-178, concept/new construction of four single-family houses. *The Board approved the design development as revised March 4, including wood siding on the front of the houses and smooth-faced fiber-cement siding on the sides with an exposure of five to six inches. The Board delegated to staff further review of the permit application. Vote: 5-0.*

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved on February 25 by a vote of 7-0.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

320 9th Street NE, HPA 21-180, concept/two-story addition at rear. 515 10th Street SE, HPA 20-518, concept/second story addition to garage.

14th Street Historic District

1333 Corcoran Street NW, HPA 21-175, concept/three-story rear addition, front façade alterations

MOUNT PLEASANT HISTORIC DISTRICT

1818 Kilbourne Street NW, HPA 21-179, concept/third story rear addition and roof deck.

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