



Figure 6. Photo from 2400 24th street



Figure 7. Photo from Pennsylvania Ave.

10. Historic Preservation Considerations

State whether the proposed project location is within a District of Columbia or National Register Historic District or is a District of Columbia Landmark or is listed or is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Provide information on the historic district, landmark or National Register eligible or listed property. Indicate whether the proposed project is related to any adjacent or nearby historic properties or districts.

2375 Pennsylvania Avenue NW is listed in the DC Inventory of Historic Sites as a part of a cluster of buildings known simply as the “Square 38” landmark; it is not located in a historic district. The properties were designated in the 1970s, and at the time, designations were sometimes made without much documentation, as is the case with these. The DC Inventory listing only states the following:

Square 38, Designated Properties 2301-13 Washington Circle, NW; 2315-2327 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW; 1001, 1003, 1005, 1007, 1009, 1011, 1013, and 1015 24th Street, NW; 2300, 2324 & 2326 L Street, NW; 1002, 1004, 1006, 1008, and 1010 23rd Street, NW (all of Square 38 except 2308-2320 L Street, NW) Built 1876-1909; 1925; facades of some properties incorporated in new buildings c. 1980 and 1988-89; DC designation August 16, 1979.

The project require review of Historic Preservation Office Staff.

The building is not in a Historic District.

11. Project Compatibility with Existing or Future Plans for the Area

Describe the proposed project’s compatibility with the existing context of the area and any future plans for the area. Also indicate whether this site is within 500 feet of another memorial in public space. (see D.C. Law 13-275, Section 415. Guidelines for Consideration of Applications (c)).

There is a commemorative statue of George Washington at a distance of 400 feet located at Washington Circle. A bronze equestrian statue sculpted by Clark Mills and depicting George Washington riding his horse during the Battle of Princeton, was installed in the center of the circle on February 22, 1860.



Figure 8. Statue of George Washington, Washington Circle.

The Bernardo de Gálvez statue is small in size (18in x 18in x 39in) and is not meant to compete with or detract from the bronze equestrian statue of George Washington which has dimensions of (9 ft × 14 ft × 6 ft).

From the location of the Gálvez statue, the George Washington Statue can be seen given its size and its unbeatable position in the center of Washington Circle. The Gálvez statue is not visible from Washington Circle since it is only visible when you are in front of the Embassy building.

As explained before, George Washington and the U.S. Congress officially recognized Gálvez for his decisive help in the American Revolution.

The immediate surroundings of the property where the projected structure would be installed includes apartment blocks, offices and some residential houses. The Embassy building has eight floors, the facade of the first three floors being like that of a residential house, and the facade of the other five floors is glass.

The surrounding buildings are also mostly eight floors tall. The immediate surroundings of the property where the projected structure would be installed includes apartment blocks, offices and some residential houses. The building across the street has on its first floor the entrance lobby of the building and a coffee shop.

The site is located in RA-5 Zone. The Residential Apartment (RA) zones permit urban residential development and compatible institutional and semi-public buildings. The RA-5 zone provides for areas developed with predominantly high-density residential.

Pennsylvania Ave is a busy street with no on-street parking. 24th Street is smaller in size, does not have as much traffic and has parking spaces on both sides of the street, although parking is prohibited on the Embassy side except for Embassy cars.

12. Economic Impact

Describe any known or expected economic impact of the proposed project upon its immediate location, surrounding area (within approximately ½ mile), and the District of Columbia at large.

No known or expected economic impact to the surrounding area.

13. Concurrent Reviews

List all other reviews required for this proposal and estimated timeline of meeting dates.

<i>Review Body</i>	<i>Meeting Date</i>
Advisory Neighborhood Commission	July 2023
Public Space Committee	April 27, 2023
Commemorative Works Committee – Concept Review	July 2022
Commemorative Works Committee – Final Review	July 2023
The Historic Preservation Office	July 2023

The Historic preservation Office has reviewed the application and determined that this project does not need to be reviewed by the HPRB and can simply be reviewed and approved by their staff.

The public Space Committee has approved the project. Please refer to Appendix II.