

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS
December 19, 2019

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

AGENDA

DESIGNATION HEARING

Recorder of Deeds Building, 515 D Street NW, Case 11-19.

The Board designated the Recorder of Deeds Building (Exterior and specified interior spaces) at 515 D Street NW, a historic landmark in the D.C. Inventory of Historic Sites. The Board recommended that the nomination be enhanced and forwarded to the National Register of Historic Places with a more complete description of the building's exterior massing, a list of contributing interior features, and with consideration given to evaluating the property under Criterion B for Dr. William Thompkins. The Board voted to forward the nomination to the National Register with a period of significance from 1943 to 1945. Vote: 5-0.

DESIGN GUIDELINES

Sustainability Guide for Older and Historic Properties, consideration of revised draft.

The Board adopted the design guide. Vote: 5-0.

TAKOMA PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

6824 5th Street NW, HPA 19-439, revised concept/twelve solar panels with solar screen.

The Board found the installation of solar panels on the front roof slope, clad in a film that replicates the scale, color, texture, and finish of the surrounding roof, to be compatible with the character of the Takoma Park Historic District and consistent with the design principles in the new Sustainability guide. Vote: 5-0.

223 Vine Street NW, HPA 20-097, concept/new construction of apartment building.

The Board approved the concept as compatible with the character of the Takoma Park Historic District, contingent on the elimination of corrugated metal siding on the building and no exterior venting being installed on the Vine (south) and Maple Street (east) elevations. Unless the ANC requests that the project return to the Board, final approval is delegated to staff. Vote: 5-0.

SHAW HISTORIC DISTRICT

1009-1007 O Street NW, HPA 20-055, concept/new construction and renovation.

The Review Board found the concept for a 3-story rowhouse form addition to 1009 O Street NW to be compatible with the character of the historic district, consistent with the purposes of the preservation act, and that final approval be delegated to Staff. Vote: 5-0.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

19 Rear 4th Street NE, HPA 20-096, concept/demolish two-story carriage house; construct new two-story carriage house.

The Board found the proposal to demolish the existing building, based on a lack of structural integrity, and to construct a new two-story building in the same envelope to be compatible with the Capitol Hill historic district, and delegated final approval to staff. Vote: 5-0.

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3400 Connecticut Avenue and 2911 Newark Street NW, HPA 20-043, concept/construct two new buildings for residential and retail.

The Board heard testimony from the applicants, ANC, and community organizations but had insufficient time to hear all testimony from individuals. The record was kept open and the case continued to the January 23, 2020 meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

LANDMARKS

Congressional Cemetery, 1801 E Street SE, HPA 19-546, porch addition and associated paving.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

400 3rd Street SE, HPA 20-050, concept/new two-story carriage house.

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3303 Highland Place NW, HPA 20-045, concept/rear addition and alterations.

PLAN OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON (L'ENFANT PLAN)

Closure of a portion of Potomac Avenue, SE; Reservation 248; Square 744-SS, Lot 801, HPA 20-092, permit.

SHAW HISTORIC DISTRICT

934 O Street NW, HPA 20-054, concept/garage alteration and addition.

The Board asked that the cornice on the garage be further developed to be consistent with the character of other garages in the historic district.

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~~925 French Street NW, HPA 20-094, concept/third floor addition.~~

~~This case was deferred one month at the request of the ANC.~~

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