# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



# HPRB ACTIONS November 18 and December 2, 2021

The Historic Preservation Review Board met and considered cases on these dates.

# NOVEMBER 18 MEETING

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

### **AGENDA**

#### ANACOSTIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

1337 Good Hope Road SE, HPA 21-500, revised concept/construct 5-story mixed use building. The Board had no design concerns with the revised proposal but deferred taking action pending review by the ANC and HAPS. The case can return for final approval on the consent calendar if there are no community concerns requiring the Board's review.

# ANACOSTIA HISTORIC DISTRICT

2221 14<sup>th</sup> Street SE, HPA 22-031, concept/new construction of two-story house.

The Board agreed with the findings in the HPO regarding needed revisions but deferred taking action pending review by the ANC and HAPS. The case can return for final approval on the consent calendar if there are no community concerns requiring the Board's review.

# 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1631 13th Street NW, HPA 21-554, concept/add third story, areaway, façade alterations.

The Board approved the concept for alterations and a roof addition, including a revised plan that moved the roof terrace further back and lowered the side parapet walls, and delegated final approval to staff. Vote: 7-0.

# HISTORIC LANDMARK/CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

Southeast Library, 403 7th Street SE, HPA 21-561, concept/new entry and addition.

The Board commented favorably on the proposed design, adopted the staff report and approved the concept but also recommended refining the entry plaza to make it more open, welcoming and pronounced. Suggestions included potentially terracing the landscaped berm to make the entry plaza more visible; introducing climbing vegetation and/or other landscape elements to "soften" the space; enlarging the plaza by shifting the eastern side wall further east to align it with the rear wall of the historic library; modifying the window opening in the eastern side wall to make it a more conspicuous and celebrated design element; and introducing textured materials into the side walls to capitalize on light and shadow. The Board also noted that the signage could benefit from further refinement, possibly by regulating the lighting more carefully, incorporating signage into the side walls and by substituting the formal name of the library for the word "LIBRARY." Vote: 7-0.

# LEDROIT PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

513 U Street NW, HPA 21-559, concept/three-story addition with roof deck.

[deferred at request of the applicant]

# **DECEMBER 2 MEETING**

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

# **AGENDA**

#### INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION

Comprehensive Plan Update: Rock Creek West Area Element/Cleveland and Woodley Park historic districts. No action requested or taken. The Chair stated that she may appoint a less-than-quorum of the Board working group to provide on-going participation to the planning effort and would announce those members at a future meeting.

# POTENTIAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

5425 Western Avenue NW (Lisner-Louise-Dickson-Hurt Home), HPA 22-039, courtesy concept review/construction of four-story building to be connected to existing building.

The Board expressed concerns that the new construction felt crowded on the site and too close to the 1940s building, and asked the applicants to consider how that could be alleviated. The Board also found the extent of parking in front of the 1940 building to be detrimental to its setting and asked that the the landscape plan continue to be developed.

# CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

1007 8<sup>th</sup> Street SE, HPA 21-548, permit/construct deck structure in front of one-story commercial building. The Board found the idea of a raised deck on the property to be viable, but that it needed to be pulled back and connected to the existing building, replacing the existing shed canopy, reduced in its projection, and that the elevator and straight run stairs be better integrated into the structure. The project should return to the Board when redesigned. Vote: 5-0.

#### TAKOMA PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

515 Cedar Street NW, HPA 21-373, revised concept/new construction of single family house.

The Board approved the revised concept and delegated final approval to staff with the conditions that the garage be redesigned to pull the dormers in from the ends of the building, and that applicant coordinate with HPO on the construction details outlined in the staff report in advance of submitting for permit approval Vote: 5-0.

6928 Maple Street NW, HPA 21-556, concept/relocate existing house on lot, construct five-story residential building. [deferred at request of the applicant]

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

The Historic Preservation Review Board approved the following Consent Calendar items on November 18 by a vote of 5-0.

# CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3510 Macomb Street NW, HPA 22-033, concept/remove rear addition, construct two-story rear addition; restore garage. 3411 Newark Street NW, HPA 22-037, concept/two story rear addition, new front porch, enclose side porch.

# 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1740 14th Street NW, HPA 22-040, concept/site alterations.

# SHAW HISTORIC DISTRICT

1612-1616 7<sup>th</sup> Street NW, HPA 21-038, permit/storefront alterations, construct three-story building at rear [deferred at request of the ANC]

The Historic Preservation Review Board approved the following Consent Calendar item on December 2 by a vote Of 5-0.

# CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

820 Constitution Avenue NE, HPA 22 036; concept/construct two story accessory structure. [ deferred at the request of the applicant]

1208 D Street SE, HPA 21-552, concept/add second story to one-story garage.

The Historic Preservation Review Board approved the following Consent Calendar item on December 2 by a vote Of 4-0-1 (*Horsey recused*).

#### **DUPONT CIRCLE HISTORIC DISTRICT**

1625 P Street NW (Stead Park), HPA 21-562, permit/two-story addition, solar canopy.

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