GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



Historic Preservation Review Board Meeting October 25, 2018

Present: Andrew Aurbach (Acting Chair), Brian Crane, Linda Greene, Sandra Jowers-Barber, Chris Landis. Absent: Marnique Heath, Thomas Brokaw, Outerbridge Horsey, Gretchen Pfaehler.

AGENDA

INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION

2020 Historic Preservation Plan

LANDMARK DESIGNATION HEARING

Washington Animal Rescue League Animal Shelter, 71 O Street NW, Case 16 07. [deferred at mutual request of ANC 5E, the owner and the applicant]

TAKOMA PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

6825 Piney Branch Road NW, HPA 18-604, concept/second story side addition.

The Board approved the concept for replacement windows, modified window openings, and a second story side addition as consistent with the purposes of the preservation act, with the stipulation that the replacement window feature a profiled un-clad wood brick molding, and delegated final approval to staff. Vote: 5-0.

MOUNT PLEASANT HISTORIC DISTRICT

3150 17th Street NW, HPA 18-557, permit/parking pad in public space.

The Board recommended against issuance of a public-space permit or a building permit for the proposed paving, as it is incompatible with the character of the historic district and therefore contrary to the purposes of the preservation law. The Board acknowledged the ANC resolution in support of the application, but did not find its arguments persuasive as they did not address the alteration's compatibility with the character of the historic district, a standard that the Board must apply. Vote: 3-0-2 (Aurbach and Greene abstained).

MOUNT VERNON TRIANGLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

444 K Street NW, HPA 18-616, concept/six-story addition.

The Board voted to approve the 6-story height as generally compatible and consistent with the purposes of the preservation act, with the stipulation that the applicant: (1) Maintain the existing floor level of 446, with the floor height difference accommodated through minimal transitions on the interior; (2) Maintain the party wall for the full two floors and create connections through minimized openings; (3) Fine-tune the elevations of the addition detailing the screen idea, relating to the rhythm and alignment of the historic houses; (4) Provide a structural engineer's report that illustrates current structural conditions and provides the approach to preserve the remaining structural elements of the building; and (5) Rebuild the demolished rear wall in the same location and with the same wall thickness, with minimal openings to the new construction. The Board delegated final approval to staff. Vote: 5-0

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

1225-1227 Pennsylvania Avenue SE, HPA 18-662, concept/one-story roof addition.

The Board approved the concept to be compatible with the historic district and to delegate further review to staff with the stipulation that the rooftop addition be set back a greater distance from the front façade. Vote: 5-0

302 South Carolina Avenue SE, HPA 18-671, concept/rooftop addition; rear porches.

The Board approved the concept of open rear porches as consistent with the purposes of the preservation act and delegated final approval to staff. The Board acknowledged the resolution of support from the ANC, but disagreed that the proposal for the roof addition was consistent with preservation requirements, as the addition would be prominently visible from public street view. The Board found the proposed rooftop addition incompatible with the historic district and inconsistent with the purposes of the preservation act. Vote: 4-1

LEDROIT PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

1948 2nd Street NW, HPA 18-598, concept/two-story garage

The Board concurred with the resolution of the ANC, and advised the applicant to revise the concept from a two-story carriage house to a one-story garage, similar to or smaller than the one-story garage at 1946 2nd Street NW and return to the Board for further review. Vote:4-0-1 (Crane abstained).

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Board approved the following on the Consent Calendar by a vote of 5-0.

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

613 Lexington Place NE, HPA 18-670, concept/third floor rear addition and covered rear porch 210 9th Street SE, HPA 18-600, concept/demolish rear additions and construct new three-story rear and side addition

CLEVELAND PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

3407 Lowell Street NW, HPA 18-642, concept/two-story rear addition; rear roof dormer

MOUNT PLEASANT HISTORIC DISTRICT

1654 Irving Street NW, HPA 18-676, concept/two-story rear addition; front alterations and repairs; replace rear parking pad and fence

SHAW HISTORIC DISTRICT

1126 9th Street NW, HPA 18-622, revised concept/addition, new construction

STRIVERS SECTION HISTORIC DISTRICT

1706 Florida Avenue NW, HPA 18-510, concept/new construction

TAKOMA PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

322 Aspen Street NW, HPA 18-665, permit/solar panels at rear roof

U STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

1714 10th Street NW, HPA 19-003, concept/partial third floor

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