

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD



HPRB ACTIONS
April 30, 2020

The Historic Preservation Review Board met for a virtual meeting on this date. Present for the meeting were: Marnique Heath, Chair; Andrew Aurbach, Thomas Brokaw, Linda Greene, Outerbridge Horsey, Sandra Jowers-Barber, Gretchen Pfaehler.

AGENDA

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to waive three procedural requirements under 10-C DCMR § 3207.3 during the declared COVID-19 public health emergency:

1. The requirement under 10-C DCMR § 323.1 to provide first class mail notice to all persons on the public mailing list;
2. The requirement under 10-C DCMR § 3100.3 to post the proposed meeting agenda in the Historic Preservation Office; and
3. The requirement under 10-C DCMR § 3100.4 to make copies of the agenda available at the Board's meeting.

The Board acknowledged receipt of letters relating to the National Geographic Society's proposed expansion project, reviewed by the Board at its August 1, 2019 meeting. The Board will review the letters and respond at the May 28th meeting.

DESIGNATION HEARING

Slowe-Burrill House, 1256 Kearny Street NE, Case 20-0.

The Historic Preservation Review Board designated the Slowe-Burrill House, 1256 Kearny Street NE, a historic landmark 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 1922 to 1937, the period of Lucy Slowe's occupancy of the home. Vote: 7-0.

FOXHALL VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT

4435 Volta Place NW, HPA 20-196, permit/demolition and rear addition.

The Board found the rear addition to the house to be compatible, but that the full-depth, two-story garage proposed is not compatible in scale or massing. The Board determined that the existing garage was non-contributing and could be demolished, and recommended that the applicant consider an alternative plan for a two-story garage along the alley, up to 20 feet deep at the two-story height, which could span the full width of the lot, and which could extend further into the rear yard at a one-story height. The garage project should return to the Board for further review when ready. Vote: 7-0.

KALORAMA TRIANGLE HISTORIC DISTRICT

1918 Belmont Road NW, HPA 20-179, concept/extend third floor, replace rear wall,

The Board found the proposed roof and rear elevation alterations to be compatible with the character of the historic district and consistent with the purposes of the Act and delegated final approval to staff. Vote: 6-0 (Horsey recused).

HISTORIC LANDMARK

National Museum of Women in the Arts, 1250 New York Avenue NW, HPA 20-230, concept/building system upgrades; accessible entrances; rooftop equipment; masonry repairs; windows.

The Board approved the concept with the conditions that: the aluminum replacement windows closely match the configuration, dimensions and profiles of the windows to be replaced; the limestone panels be set into the ground-floor windows to a depth similar to that of the present stucco panels; the elevator penthouse be clad in roofing to match that of the mansard; and other materials for the mechanical penthouse be considered and further exploration undertaken to reduce its height. The Board expressed concern for the development of the design of the railings for the exterior ramps, and delegated final approval of the project to staff. Vote: 7-0.

Mount Pleasant Historic District

3215 Mount Pleasant Street NW, HPA 20-118, concept/three-story addition above existing one-story commercial building.

The Board approved the extent of proposed demolition, as it found that the existing one-story building no longer contributed to the character of the historic district because of the loss of character-defining elements through alterations. The Board voted to approve the concept for constructing additional stories on top of the existing one-story building but expressed concerns about the compatibility of the fourth floor; the applicant was asked to come back to the Board to show other design solutions for the fourth floor. Vote: 7-0.

TAKOMA PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

300-308 Carroll Street NW, HPA 19-549, revised concept/construction of five-story apartment building incorporating two contributing houses.

The Board found the revised concept for historic building rehabilitation and new construction to be compatible with the character of the Takoma Park Historic District and delegated final approval to staff. Vote: 5-0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

DESIGNATION HEARINGS

Central Public Library, amendment to National Register listing, Case 20-04
Washington Yacht Club, 1500 M Street SE, Case 20-06

CAPITOL HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT

216 9th Street NE, HPA 20-217, concept/two-story rear addition
710 E Street SE; HPA 20-134, permit/rear three-story addition
512 A Street SE, HPA 20-219, concept/construct new two-story carriage house at rear alley
630 C Street NE, HPA 20-222, concept/two-story addition at rear and two-story carriage house
326 11th Street NE, HPA 20-170, concept/two-story rear addition

SHAW HISTORIC DISTRICT

1000 N Street NW, HPA 20-220, subdivision/combine two lots into one.

TAKOMA PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

327 Cedar Street NW, HPA 20-221, concept/bike storage facility at Takoma Park Metrorail station

600 Cedar Street NW, HPA 20-223, remove two-story rear porch and construct deck; roof and window replacement

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