

ANC 2F | Community Development Committee Meeting

MINUTES WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 19, 2014

7:00 P.M.

WASHINGTON PLAZA HOTEL
10 THOMAS CIRCLE, NW

Attendance

PRESENT

Commissioner Walt Cain (2F02)
Louis Cipro
Joyce Cowan (arrived for last vote)
Dave Feinstein
Joel Heisey
Helen Kramer
Jim Loucks
Commissioner Greg Melcher (2F06)
Ron Rubin

ABSENT

Leah Frelinghuysen
Howard Marks

GUESTS AND PRESENTERS

James Nozar
Shawn Buehler, Bennett Frank
McCarthy Architects

Committee meeting **called to order** by Commissioner Walt Cain at **7:03 p.m.** Committee member Joyce Cowan was not present for the first two votes taken by the Committee, but arrived for the last vote taken on the New Business item related to 1225 10th St, NW.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Cain moved to adopt the draft agenda without modification; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Committee.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Approval of December 11, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Helen Kramer moved to approve the meeting minutes without modification; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Committee.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Old Business

[None]

New Business

Development presentation for 1516 Kingman PI, NW

James Nozar, owner

Informational presentation

James Nozar, who is under contract to purchase the residential property at 1516 Kingman PI, NW, informed the Committee that he would no longer be seeking support for a rooftop addition as initially planned. Nozar's presentation was thus purely informational in nature, as there was no action for the Committee to take. Nozar explained that he would be renovating the home this Spring, including basement excavation and the addition of a conforming 400 sq. ft. extension to the rear of the house. There will be no changes to the façade.

Design and development presentation for 1225 10th St, NW

Shawn Buehler, Bennett
Frank McCarthy Architects

Request for massing and concept approval

Architect Shawn Buehler spoke on behalf of the developer and owner of the residential property at 1225 10th St, NW. The owner is planning the development of a new three-unit condominium on a currently vacant lot; an existing carriage house will remain as a fourth dwelling for the property owners. Buehler presented the preliminary design for the building and detailed his collaboration to date with HPRB. Committee members expressed concerns related to the symmetric nature of the building façade (which was felt to be out of sync with other buildings along the street); the prominence of the center window; and a desire to use congruent building materials (i.e. old bricks and wrought iron for fences).

Commissioner Cain moved that the CDC recommend that the full ANC write a letter of support to HPRB for the concept and massing of the project. Cain explained that the Committee would require the project to return to the CDC for final design approval. Cain moved that the ANC's letter to HPRB express the Committee's desire for the developer to re-use available decorative bricks from the previous lot structures; explain the Committee's view against both façade symmetry and a central window as a focal middle point; and include specific requests related to landscaping, a wrought iron fence, and the use of brick on the side of the building. The motion was approved unanimously by the Committee.

Vote: 9-0 (unanimous, including Joyce Cowan)

Open Forum

Update on Visitor Parking Program for ANC 2F

Commissioner Cain shared that there has been no progress made with implementing a Visitor Parking Program (VPP) for ANC 2F. Cain noted that the ANC was waiting on Councilmember Jack Evans' office to assist in moving the proposed VPP forward with DDOT.

Helen Kramer moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved by the Committee. Meeting adjourned at **7:57 p.m.**