

ANC 2F | Community Development Committee Meeting

MINUTES

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 23, 2016

7:00 P.M.

WASHINGTON PLAZA HOTEL
10 THOMAS CIRCLE, NW

Attendance

PRESENT

Commissioner Deeley (2F08)
Dave Feinstein
Joel Heisey
Helen Kramer
Jim Loucks
Greg Melcher
Ron Rubin
Commissioner Sylvester (2F07)

ABSENT

Louis Cipro
Joyce Cowan
Leah Frelinghuysen
Commissioner Lamare (2F05)
John Long

GUESTS AND PRESENTERS

Gregory McCarthy
Scott Williams
Christopher Regan
Jim Croenenburg

**denotes Committee member(s) not present for all votes*

Committee meeting **called to order** by CDC Chair Commissioner Kevin Deeley at **7:07 p.m.**

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Helen Kramer moved to adopt the draft agenda with the following modification: removal of the Old Business item to discuss ongoing consideration of the Planned Unit Development at 1126 9th St, NW. The Applicant was not ready for continued discussion with ANC 2F because of pending conversation with the Zoning Board. Kramer's motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Committee.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Approval of January 28, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Kramer moved to adopt the January 28, 2016 meeting minutes with several typographical edits, and corrections to details on two separate business items. Kramer shared a written version of the corrections. Kramer's motion was seconded and approved by the Committee.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Old Business

1334 Riggs St, NW – 2F01

Gregory McCarthy, owner
Scott Williams, Williams Design Group

HPRB concept, mass, and design for a third floor addition on an existing row house

Gregory McCarthy, owner and resident of 1334 Riggs St, NW, and Scott Williams, architect for the project, presented their updated request and architectural drawings to the Committee. Following the January CDC meeting, McCarthy explained that had conferred with the Office of Zoning, and ultimately decided to reduce the third story addition by three feet in order to comply with R4 height restrictions. McCarthy noted the addition would not be visible from Riggs Street, and that the historic design of the row house would remain intact.

Greg Melcher asked for clarification of the zoning request. Joel Heisey expressed his preference for alignment of the proposed windows and doors with those of the existing floors. McCarthy agreed to address the Committee's concern with the utilitarian appearance of the proposed window.

Kramer moved that the CDC recommend that the full ANC send a letter to HPRB indicating community support for the third story addition to the row house, as being consistent with Historic Preservation guidelines; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Committee.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

New Business

1336 14th St, NW – 2F03

Christopher Regan
Jim Cronenberg

HPRB concept, mass, and design for exterior alterations and addition

Cronenberg presented the proposed alterations to the existing structure, and detailed the walking tour he gave to neighbors. In order to address neighbor concerns about HVAC equipment on the rooftop, Cronenberg explained that a screen would be placed around the rooftop equipment. Lastly, Cronenberg shared that Steve Callcott of HPO had provided comments on the project.

Commissioner Deeley moved to suspend the Committee rules for presentations, which require that Applicants prepare printed copies of presentation materials for the Committee. Deeley noted the Applicant had shared presentation materials with the Committee in advance of the meeting via email. Deeley's motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Committee.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

The Committee inquired about the height of the window backing up to the adjacent 7-11; expressed varying opinions about the height of the front façade; and shared its desire to see drawings of the proposed screen that will enclose the rooftop equipment. Community member Jim Kane represented that the neighborhood was supportive of the Applicant's request.

Deeley moved that the CDC recommend that the full ANC take no action on the related application before the Historic Preservation Board; the motion was seconded and approved by the Committee.

Vote: 7-0-1

Kramer moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved by the Committee. Meeting adjourned at **8:04 p.m.**