



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

Representing the communities of Burleith, Georgetown, and Hillandale

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June 4, 2020

Mr. H. Alan Brangman, Chairman, and Members of the Board
Old Georgetown Board
401 F Street NW, Suite 312
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Chairman Brangman and Members of the Board:

On June 1, 2020 ANC 2E held its regularly scheduled public meeting, which was properly noticed and attended by seven commissioners, constituting a quorum. At this meeting the Commission adopted the following positions on matters scheduled for consideration by the Old Georgetown Board on June 4, 2020:

With regard to SMD 2E05 - OG 20-160 (HPA 20-285) 3000 M Street, NW:

ANC 2E is very pleased to see that this project is moving forward again. We remain extremely frustrated by the lack of development on this site, an important block in Georgetown. Between the crane that has been standing on the site with no work and the empty and unkept space on M Street NW, the neighborhood is looking forward to the expedient creation of a new building that is in keeping with the historic guidelines of our community.

With that said, ANC 2E has some concerns about the proposed plans where design and use intersect. First, we have concerns about the roof deck. We would like to ensure that it is built to contain noise, especially music, and are uncomfortable with moving forward any plans that do not contemplate how the roof will be designed to protect peace, order, and quiet in the neighborhood, particularly in the evenings.

Second, ANC 2E wants to ensure that an adequate plan is in place to ensure that cars dropping off and picking up guests do not cause traffic issues on the block, particularly when considering the plans for building in the alley across the street. We would prefer to see a place for two to three cars at any given time to be pulled to the side of the block without interfering with traffic. While we know that this will be part of a zoning conversation, there are design considerations here that we would like to see incorporated into the plans prior to moving forward.

Separately, ANC 2E appreciates the green touches and would like to see more to soften a large building which will be looming quite large over small homes and the mule yard. We also leave issues related to massing to the Old Georgetown Board to resolve but ask the Board to pay

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particular attention to the height differential between the proposed building and the more modest buildings to the south.

ANC 2E is extremely eager to see a project move forward and appreciates that there are significant financial considerations that must be incorporated into the review process. We look forward to working with the applicant to ensure that the building designed for this important block of our community is both economically viable and sensitively designed.

With regard to SMD 2E06 - OG 20-169 (HPA 20-297) 3024 Q Street, NW:

ANC 2E requests that the applicant resubmits its application along with communications demonstrating that all of the immediate neighbors have seen the project plans and have the opportunity to share any concerns with the ANC.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard G. Murphy, Jr." in a cursive script.

Rick Murphy
Chair, ANC 2E