



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

Representing the communities of Burleith, Georgetown, and Hillandale

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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 December 3, 2018 ANC 2E held its regularly scheduled public meeting, which was properly noticed and attended by six commissioners, constituting a quorum. At this meeting the Commission adopted the following positions on matters scheduled for consideration by the Old Georgetown Board on December 6, 2018:

With regard to SMD 2E01 - OG 19-027 (HPA 19-071) 1801 35th Street, NW / 1800 34th Street, NW:

The concept plan review submission before ANC 2E for the Halcyon Arts Lab at 1801 35th Street NW includes the following elements: a freestanding canopy not attached to the building to provide protection during inclement weather and a solar panel which will power all exterior lighting and will not generate any noise or have any impact on the neighbors. The exterior lighting will reduce light pollution spillover to the neighbors while providing a more secure environment on the property and the boardwalk.

Further enhancements to the property include additional plantings on the property, the replacement of the flag pole, the installation of tree boxes along 35th Street NW, the replacement of pavers, and the installation of a sign. ANC 2E asks the Old Georgetown Board to pay particular attention to the logo on the proposed sign. Furthermore, the ANC supports the concept plan review submission as presented.

With regard to SMD 2E03 - OG 19-049 (HPA 19-099) 3414 Volta Place, NW:

ANC 2E, having reviewed the plans and received a presentation from the applicant's architect, has no comment on the proposal.

With regard to SMD 2E06 - OG 19-029 (HPA 19-073) 2801 M Street, NW:

ANC 2E opposes the current application for concept approval. The project was previously considered and rejected by the Old Georgetown Board. The current plans are minimal and could

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well be considered insufficient, however the applicant is plainly proposing to make substantial changes to the historic façade by dropping the Juliet balcony, which is currently half a story above-grade, to ground level, and by removing the existing front door, which is also half a story above-grade, and replacing it with a door assembly from the sidewalk level to the current door header height.

The applicant also seems to be seeking to demolish the first floor framing and finish. The proposed addition on the rear also may be stylistically inconsistent with the existing building and its use may reasonably intrude on adjacent neighbors. ANC 2E also asks the Old Georgetown Board to consider the appropriateness of the signage being proposed.

Further, to the extent that the Old Georgetown Board may consider zoning limitations as part of its design review, the property is zoned MU-4, which has a 60% lot occupancy limitation and a 15-foot rear yard setback requirement. ANC 2E asks the Old Georgetown Board to take this into account.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Gibbons". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Joe Gibbons
Chair, ANC 2E