

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

September 22, 2016

Gretchen Pfaehler, Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board
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RE: 1717-1719 Corcoran Street NW (HPRB #16-623)

Dear Chairwoman Pfaehler:

At its regular meeting on September 14, 2016, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 8 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (8-0-0):

WHEREAS, the project as proposed is within the Dupont Circle Historic District and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports and is encouraged by the applicant's restoration of the historic front facade, but urges the applicant to landscape the front facade similarly to the rest of the street,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B appreciates the applicant's provisioning of a dedicated garbage can storage area on the property,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports the modern rear facade which will be visible from R Street NW due to the park at Ross Elementary School,

WHEREAS, the project proposes to reduce rear lot coverage and bring the building back from the alley, and

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B understands the proposed roof deck will not be visible from in front of the building on Corcoran Street NW, the Commission is significantly concerned with the addition of the roof deck which will be visible from 17th Street NW and along Corcoran Street NW towards 17th Street due to the one-story configuration of the Safeway at 1701 Corcoran Street NW.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B would support the project if the roof deck additions on both properties were removed.

Commissioners Stephanie Maltz (<u>2B03@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Nicole Mann (<u>nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Nicole Mann

Chair