



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

September 22, 2016

Gretchen Pfahler, Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board
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RE: 1759-1761 P Street NW (HPRB #16-627)

Dear Chairwoman Pfahler:

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 a new construction located within the Dupont Circle Historic District and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B commends the applicant for working with and receiving the support of the two adjacent neighbors by providing light wells on the rear to preserve light and air quality and determining a way to provide one neighbor with access to their parking pad through the common area of the project,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that the rear facade is well designed and interestingly setback,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B urges the applicant to consider adding texture and strengthening the smaller bay to further enhance the compatibility of the front facade with the two adjacent buildings,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B further urges the applicant to provide more of a gesture towards horizontal design elements, considering the horizontal elements of the neighboring buildings, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B feels that the front facade color contrast should be less stark than the current plans.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, while ANC 2B supports the height and massing of the project, ANC 2B urges further design changes to the front facade of the project as described above to improve its compatibility with the Dupont Circle Historic District. ANC 2B further urges these design changes to be made available to the ANC and neighbors through a public process.

Commissioners John Kupcinski (anc2b07@gmail.com) and Nicole Mann (nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Mann", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nicole Mann
Chair