



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

July 15, 2014

Matthew Marcou, Chair
Public Space Committee
District Department of Transportation
Public Space Permit Branch Third Floor
1100 4th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20004

RE: Request for public space permit for sidewalk cafe for Taylor Gourmet located at 1908 14th Street NW (#97417).

Dear Chairperson Marcou,

At its regular meeting on July 9, 2014, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC 2B” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 7 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (7-0):

ANC 2B supports this application in part and opposes this application in part.

ANC 2B support the use of public space for a single table and two (2) chairs at the northern side of the public space, against the wall of the restaurant. ANC 2B opposes permitting any tables or chairs at the southside of the space, nearest to the curb of 14th Street. ANC 2B is very concerned with the safety of patrons sitting so close to a curb, particularly with how busy 14th St is. ANC 2B also is concerned about blocking the sight lines of vehicles exiting the adjacent parking garage and maintaining a clear 10 foot clearance for pedestrian traffic on the sidewalk. ANC 2B opposes establishments “surrounding” a pedestrian pathway with tables and chairs for their patrons, as the primary purpose of sidewalks should be for pedestrian movement.

ANC 2B’s limited support of this application is contingent on public space hours that end at 11pm on weeknights and midnight on friday and saturday nights. The applicant has agreed to these hours.

Commissioners Will Stephens (will.stephens@dupontcircleanc.net), Noah Smith (noah.smith@dupontcircleanc.net), and Mike Feldstein (mike.feldstein@dupontcircleanc.net) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William F. Stephens". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Will Stephens
Chairman

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