

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

November 17, 2015

Gretchen Pfaehler, Chair Historic Preservation Review Board Office of Planning 1100 4th Street, SW, Suite E650 Washington, DC 20024 historic.preservation@dc.gov

RE: 1415 22nd Street NW, HPRB #16-004

Dear Chairwoman Pfaehler:

At its regular meeting on November 10, 2015, 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 property at 1415 22nd St NW is an historic carriage house with an unfortunate front exterior; and

Whereas the applicant proposes to renovate the exterior of the building in the process of attracting a boutique office, high end retail, fine dining, or other high quality commercial use tenant more compatible with the neighborhood than the previous tavern tenant; and

Whereas the property is located in a residential alley between two apartment buildings, a nursing home, and a residential carriage house; and

Whereas the project includes a small rear roof deck intended as an office amenity.

Be it RESOLVED ANC 2B supports the significant exterior renovation of the building on the 22nd street exterior, ANC 2B is concerned with the existence of a roofdeck on the property due to the unique acoustics of the alley and existing residents who overlook the proposed roofdeck. ANC 2B understands the roof deck's usage as a boutique office amenity would not negatively impact neighbors, but would be concerned with the roofdeck if the usage was public or serving alcohol.

Commissioners Daniel Warwick (<u>daniel.warwick@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) and Noah Smith (<u>noah.smith@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Noah Smith Chairman

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