

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**



**d.** Public Space Regulation Division

**PUBLIC SPACE COMMITTEE HEARING  
Meeting Minutes**

1100 4th Street SW, 2nd Floor

Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 09:00 AM

*\*The meeting was called to order by Matthew Marcou at 9:20 am and the members of the Public Space Committee were introduced.*

*Committee Members in attendance: Matthew Marcou, Andrew Wiley, Chris Shaheen, Julia Hudson, Anna Chamberlin, Elliott Garrett, Lorne Knight, Catrina Felder and Kisha Allen*

**9:21 am – 9:26 am      *All Consent applications were Approved as Submitted - Vote: 5 to 0***  
**Consent Agenda**

- 1) ANC 2A06 - **1143 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVENUE NW** - Permittee: David Tracz - Owner: Angela Chen - Fixture: Planter Box behind Sidewalk to 42", Projections: Other (Exception - Not to Bldg Code) # 325191
- 2) ANC 2B05 - **1771 N STREET NW** - Permittee: Charlie Smiroldo - Owner: Charlie Smiroldo - Fixture: Bike Rack(s): DDOT Standard, Planter Box behind Sidewalk to 42", Landscaping: Tree Planting, Paving: Driveway(s) Repair or Replace, Lead walk Only, Lead walk w/Steps, Sidewalk(s) # 323209
- 3) ANC 5C02 - **2405 DOUGLAS STREET NE** - Permittee: Moe Fridy - Owner: Steve Hanifi - Paving: Driveway(s) New- Commercial # 323476
- 4) ANC 3F06 - **5014 CONNECTICUT AVENUE NW** - New Sidewalk Cafe Un-Enclosed - Permittee: Da Noi Hospitality, LLC - # 10711429
- 5) ANC 1D04 - **3103 MOUNT PLEASANT STREET NW** - New Sidewalk Cafe Un-Enclosed - Permittee: hemen Solomon - hemen Solomon # 10696163
- 6) ANC 4D01 - **805 KENNEDY STREET NW** - New Sidewalk Cafe Un-Enclosed - Permittee: Nelson Privado - Nelson Privado # 10711665
- 7) **.. - 50 - 99 BLOCK OF Q STREET SW, 1500 - 1599 BLOCK OF HALF STREET SW** - Permittee: DONOHOE REAL ESTATE SERVICES - Owner: DONOHOE REAL ESTATE SERVICES - Fixture: Bench(es), Bike Rack(s): DDOT Standard, Planter Box behind Sidewalk to 42", Landscaping: New Tree Space(s), Tree Planting, Tree Removal, Paving: ADA Curb Ramp, Alley(s), Curb & Gutter(s), Sidewalk (porous/pervious), Sidewalk(s), Projections: Bay Window(s), Canopy, Other (Exception - Not to Bldg Code) # 318433
- 8) ANC 6C06 - **150 M STREET NE** - Permittee: Wiles Mensch - Owner: Douglas Firstenberg - Excavation: Vault(s) L'XW', Fixture: Bike Rack(s): DDOT Standard, Landscaping: New Tree Space(s), Tree Planting, Paving: Curb & Gutter(s), Driveway(s) New- Commercial, Mill and Overlay, Sidewalk(s) # 323723
- 9) ANC 4B06 - **5901 BLAIR ROAD NW** - Permittee: DAVID GORMAN - Owner: DAVID GORMAN - Excavation: Front Yard (In Public Space), Paving: Driveway(s) New- Commercial, Lead walk (porous/pervious paving ONLY), Lead walk Only, Projections: Bay Window(s) # 323730

- 10) ANC 5C02 - **2115 BRYANT STREET NE** - Permittee: Edwin Swift IV - Owner: Edwin Swift IV - Fixture: Bollard(s) (Exception), Paving: ADA Curb Ramp, Curb & Gutter(s), Driveway(s) Close Existing, Driveway(s) New- Commercial, Sidewalk(s) # 321425
- 11) ANC 5D01 - **400 FLORIDA AVENUE NE** - Permittee: RANGER SAGAMORE FLORIDA LLC - Owner: RANGER SAGAMORE FLORIDA LLC - Fixture: Bench(es), Bike Rack(s): DDOT Standard, Bike Share Station, Street Fixture or Furniture (Exception), Traffic Signal Installation, Trash Receptacle(s) (Exception), Landscaping: New Tree Space(s), Tree Planting, Over Head Work: Pole Removal (each add'l), Pole Removal (single or first one), Streetlight(s) Installation, Paving: ADA Curb Ramp, Alley(s), Curb & Gutter(s), Driveway(s) Close Existing, Driveway(s) Repair or Replace, Roadway(s), Sidewalk (porous/pervious), Sidewalk(s), Projections: Balcony, Bay Window(s), Canopy # 321515

**General Agenda:**

**12:37 pm - 12:45 pm**

**Approve with Conditions– Vote: 5 to 0**

***This application doesn't get set at Approved Pending Payment until the applicant must provide proof from DOEE that they have the storm water management plan reviewed/approved. The MOU for the Capitol Bike Share must be in place prior to issuance of this permit.***

- 1) ANC 7C,ANC 7C01,01 - **5119 NANNIE HELEN BURROUGHS AVENUE NE,600 DIVISION AVENUE NE** - Permittee: NANNIE HELEN OWNER LLC - Owner: - Fixture: Bike Rack(s): DDOT Standard, Landscaping: Tree Planting, Paving: Driveway(s) Close Existing, Driveway(s) New -Residential, Sidewalk(s) # 323872

**Discussion:** *The applicant stated that the IPMA/Storm Water Management reviewer approved on yesterday. The Division Avenue side is where the driveway is being proposed. The MOU status is unknown per the expeditor's testimony.*

**10:01 am – 10:02 am**

**Approve w/Modifications – Vote: 5 to 0**

***Applicant will change application to unenclosed café  
DDOT to confirm accuracy of billing record vis a vis any building restriction area***

- 2) ANC 3G06 - **5600 CONNECTICUT AVENUE NW** - Convert to Enclosed Cafe - Permittee: aaron gordon - aaron gordon # 10708282 (Commissioner Randy Spec is present)

**12:46 pm – 1:05 pm**

**Approved w/Condition – Vote: 5 to 0**

***Approve Pod One version and will defer approval of the Pod Two version until UFA has reviewed/approved with a revised clean set of plans uploaded into TOPS***

- 3) - **300 - 399 BLOCK OF K STREET NW** - Permittee: Mount Vernon Triangle CID - Owner: - Fixture: Street Fixture or Furniture (Exception) # 324582

**Discussion:** *The purpose of this application is to add public artwork to the community. The DC Commission of Humanities has given a grant for this installation of the proposed artwork. The artwork is temporary (no more than two years). UFA doesn't support the pods in the tree box space and the revised plans that the applicant has submitted hasn't been reviewed/approved by UFA yet.*

**1:06 pm – 1:14 pm**

**Tabled – Vote: 5 to 0**

***The applicant needs to upload a comprehensive plan; and the applicant must modify the address and include the proposed work in its entirety; there are no current objections to the proposed driveway***

- 4) - **5100 - 5299 BLOCK OF E STREET SE** - Permittee: H2 DESIGN BUILD - Owner: H2 DESIGN BUILD - Paving: Driveway(s) New -Residential # 324875

**Discussion:** *There are several reviewers' comments regarding revisions that have not been addressed yet.*

**9:31 am – 10:00 am**

**Tabled – Vote: 5 to 0**

**The applicant will submit all materials one week prior to the next PSC meeting**

**Provide proof that Zoning regulations require three parking spaces**

**Provide proof that alley access wouldn't allow for three(3) parking spaces,**

**Regardless of the building layout**

**Modify plans to show a uniform width of 12 feet for the driveway**

**Provide elevations for the Rhode Island Ave and 17<sup>th</sup> Street facades**

- 5) ANC 5C06 - **1617 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE NE** - Permittee: RIL Estates LLC - Owner: RIL Estates LLC - Paving: Driveway(s) New- Commercial, Projections: Bay Window(s) # 325138 (The previous application submitted by the applicant was Denied under #220668)

**Discussions:** The applicant has uploaded revised drawings that address the reviewers that were resubmitted on yesterday.

comments in

TOPS however. Curb cut is being proposed on 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NE. Anna Chamberlin asked why the access couldn't be obtained from the alley. The PSC recommended that the applicant must show that alley access doesn't work; if I use the alley then I can't comply with the three parking spaces required by Zoning. The applicant must look at other designs for the design of the building per Office of Planning. Also, Mr. Shaheen encouraged the applicant to look into additional projections and to reach out to the Office of Planning for assistance. The Zoning meeting for this application is scheduled for later today.

**10:06 am 10:26 am**

**Tabled – Vote: 5 to 0**

**Applicant will resubmit plans that address all existing reviewers comments**

- 6) ANC 5E04 - **101 Q STREET NE** - Permittee: AMARO LLC care of DC SAFE - Owner: AMARO LLC care of DC SAFE - Fixture: Bike Rack(s); DDOT Standard, Landscaping: New Tree Space(s), Tree Planting, Tree Removal, Paving: Curb & Gutter(s), Driveway(s) Close Existing, Lead walk Only, Lead walk w/Steps, Sidewalk(s), Projections: ADA Ramp, Areaway Entrance, Stoop & Steps, Window Well(s) # 325140

**Discussion:** Proposing five (5) parking spaces that were previously approved for the existing building. The fact that the building is being razed and a new building will be built. The non-profit tenants use the parking spaces currently. The Office of Planning stated that the plan labeled CIV007 is the better plan and they could support this one. Orel projections are also being proposed (18 inches only). The applicant stated that they have met with the ANC twice and the Resolution is under the Zoning application. The Chair stated to the applicant needs to address any outstanding comments and submit any revisions within one week from today and the applicant will be scheduled to come back before the PSC at the next meeting. The reviewer's comments must be in TOPS (Office of Planning and IPMA/Storm Water Management). Application will be set at revise and resubmit.

**10:28 am – 10:35 am**

**Design Concept Only Approved with Condition – Vote: 5 to 0**

**Applicant will have to come back once design is completed for final approval of the other streetscape elements. Applicant must apply for the Tree removal permits per Urban Forestry Administration. Applicant must upload the tree protection plan into the TOPS database**

- 7) ANC 5C06 - **1400 MONTANA AVENUE NE** - Permittee: Stefan Kronenberg - Owner: Stefan Kronenberg - Paving: Driveway(s) New- Commercial # 325189

**Discussion:** The application is for the curb cut Design Concept Approval only. UFA's comments must be met and the applicant has agreed. The applicant is going in to Zoning on next month.

Office of Planning raised the a grading issue and the step projection along Montana Avenue to the applicant for them to look at during the designing

**10:38 am – 12:18pm**

**Approved Design Concept Only – Vote: 4 to 1**

**PSC approved in Concept only with further designs to be developed and new streetlight plan will be submitted with upgrades as required by Streetlight Division at completion of the final design.**

The PSC approved concept level the alignment on I Street, SW and on 6<sup>th</sup> Street; more details related to lighting, planting, bump-outs will be forth coming after the final design is completed. The applicant will return to the PSC for approval once all designs are final.

ANC 6D01 - **501 I STREET SW** - Permittee: Kayla Shattuck - Owner: Bill Denton - Fixture: Bench(es), Bike Rack(s): DDOT Standard, Street Fixture or Furniture (Exception), Trash Receptacle(s) (Exception), Landscaping: Hedge to 36" tall, New Tree Space(s), Tree Fence(s), Tree Planting, Tree Removal, Tree Space (Stormwater Mgmt), Paving: ADA Curb Ramp, Curb & Gutter(s), Driveway(s) Close Existing, Driveway(s) New -Residential, Lead walk Only, Sidewalk(s), Projections: Awning(s), Bay Window(s), Window Well(s) # 319940

**Discussion:** *On 6<sup>th</sup> Street side the proposed curb cut is being proposed at twenty-six feet in width. The applicant is proposing a six foot wide sidewalk. There is also an underground parking garage (40 spaces total) and Arena Stage will be used for additional parking per the applicant.*

*The Chair, Matthew Marcou recommended the following for 6<sup>th</sup> Street side:*

*The 800 block of 6<sup>th</sup> Street, SW show the existing use of the right of way or distribution (sidewalk, green space/public parking, and roadway) and wanted to discuss this unusual circumstance regarding the distribution on the east and west sides of 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The applicant is willing to submit a Covenant for the parking area to be used for tree planting. The ANC-6D01 testified that they support this application and that they and the applicant have been working on this design for five years. The Office of Planning suggested that there be some additional tree planting on the entire block of 6<sup>th</sup> Street, SW. The ANC stated that there were no more spaces or opportunities for tree planting on 6<sup>th</sup> Street side of the street. There were residents that spoke in support of this application (Andrea Pawley and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Eicher (w/United Neighbors of Southwest)).*

**\*The PSC took a 15 minute Recess at 12:20 pm; we returned to the record at 12:35 pm**

**1:16 pm - 1:26 pm**

**Tabled– Vote: 5 to 0**

**Applicant must add all the proposed work in public space and include all fixtures that are being proposed within public space. The applicant will also indicate all landscaping that is intended. Prior to returning to the PSC. No objection to the driveway placement. (applicant advised to return to the May meeting)**

- 9) ANC 5C04 - **1240 MOUNT OLIVET ROAD NE** - Permittee: MT OLIVET - Owner: MT OLIVET - Paving: Driveway(s) New- Commercial, Sidewalk(s) # 314326

**Discussion:** *The application is for a new curb cut for the storage building, new sidewalk, bike racks, bio-retention. The applicant stated that he wouldn't be installing any streetlights at this location. The Chair suggested that the applicant look into installation some green space*

**1:27 pm – 1:34 pm**

**Approved w/Conditions – Vote: 5 to 0**

***The applicant must change the permit type to Residential and width of the driveway be twelve feet and the driveway flare be Type D. The application must be modified to show the removal of the tree; which the applicant must apply and obtain a Special Tree permit prior to the issuance of the permit.***

- 10) ANC 5B05 - 1201 PERRY STREET NE - Permittee: DAVID GORMAN - Owner: DAVID GORMAN - Excavation: Front Yard (In Public Space), Landscaping: Tree Removal, Paving: Driveway(s) New-Commercial, Lead walk Only, Projections: Bay Window(s), Window Well(s) # 323700**

*Discussion: The applicant is proposing to keep the existing driveway for a new proposed eight unit apartment building that is being proposed. The retaining wall will be retained. The Special Tree comments from UFA must be reviewed/approved.*

***The PSC was adjourned by Matthew Marcou at 1:35 pm***