

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



**d.** Planning and Sustainability Division

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment

**FROM:** Anna Chamberlin  
Project Review Manager 

**DATE:** July 17, 2018

**SUBJECT:** **FMBZA Case No. 19788** – 2720 34th Street NW and 3401 Massachusetts Avenue NW  
(Royal Norwegian Embassy)

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**INTRODUCTION**

This memorandum is intended to provide further clarification about the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) July 13, 2018 report on Foreign Missions Board of Zoning Adjustment (FMBZA) Case No. 19788. The Royal Norwegian Embassy (the "Applicant"), located at 2720 34th Street NW and 3401 Massachusetts Avenue NW, requests review of the following:

- A special exception from the site's lot occupancy requirements;
- An elevator override not meeting penthouse setback requirements; and
- Public space improvements.

In its previous report, DDOT noted its approval for the aforementioned items and commended the Applicant for its robust voluntary Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program.

**PUBLIC SPACE**

While DDOT's previous report indicated support for the Applicant's proposal, the report inaccurately states that separate permit approval is required for elements shown in public space. This is true of typical Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) cases, however, the FMBZA has jurisdiction over public space requests.

DDOT finds the project's public space elements, including the location of bicycle racks, public art, and flagpole acceptable, and supports the design of the bioretention and revised entryway on 34th Street NW.

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