



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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October 11, 2014

LLOYD JORDAN  
CHAIRPERSON  
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT  
GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
441 4TH ST NW STE 210S  
WASHINGTON DC 20001

Dear Chairperson Jordan:

Regarding BZA Application No. 18841, Application of Robert Searle, 1522 8<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (Square 397, Lot 828):

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E conducted a public meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at the Northwest One Library, 155 L Street, NW, to consider the above application.

At the Commission's meeting, duly noticed and with this case listed in the notice, with a quorum present (four out of seven Commissioners required to be in attendance to achieve a quorum), ANC 6E voted unanimously (7 in favor, 0 opposed, and no abstentions), to support the request for zoning relief at 1522 8<sup>th</sup> Street, NW to allow renovation of and addition to a residential building and that said support be communicated in writing to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) of the District of Columbia.

In considering this case, and as a result of questioning of the applicant's representatives present at said meeting and a prior Zoning and Planning Committee meeting, the Commission determined the following:

- 1) The building in question is located in Single Member District 6E01 and is a contributing structure to the Shaw Historic District.
- 2) The lot is zoned R4 and is improved with an occupied nonconforming single family home.
- 3) The Applicant proposes to renovate the building and extend the rear of the third story.

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- 4) In order for this renovation and addition to be allowed, Area Variances under 11 DCMR §3103 from lot occupancy (§2001.3) and court (§406.3) requirements are necessary.
- 5) Because of the exceptional conditions and practical difficulties presented by this site and property, strict application of the Zoning Regulations would prevent the building's renovation and addition by the Applicant at this time.
- 6) The relief requested would neither cause substantial detriment to the public good nor substantially impair the intent, purpose and integrity of the zone plan as embodied in the Zoning Regulations and Map.
- 7) The Commission supports the granting of the requested relief in order to allow the renovation of and addition to this property in the manner proposed by the Applicant.

For the reasons listed above, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E recommends that the District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment accord ANC 6E's recommendation the Great Weight provided for in the ANC statute and approve this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Padro', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Alexander M. Padro  
Chair  
ANC 6E