

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



d. Policy, Planning, and Sustainability Administration

MEMORANDUM

TO: District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment

FROM: Samuel Zimbabwe
Associate Director 

DATE: March 15, 2016

SUBJECT: BZA 18471A – 1810 16th Street, NW

APPLICATION

Universalist National Memorial Church (the “Applicant”), requests a variance from use requirements under § 350.4 to allow continued use of a 75 seat theater on the basement level of a Church in the Dupont Circle Overlay/R-5-B District at premises 1810 16th Street, NW (Square 117, Lot 802). The Applicant requests to extend continuance from three years to six years and to increase the number of performances from 48 to 60 annually.

RECOMMENDATION

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has reviewed the Applicant’s request and determined that based on the information provided, this proposed project will have no adverse impacts on the travel conditions of the District’s transportation network. The Applicant was previously approved in BZA Order 18471 for change in use requirements to allow a theater in the R-5-B District. DDOT has no objection to the approval of the requested variance.

This review pertains only to zoning issues and does not consider potential impacts to District owned public space. DDOT’s lack of objection to this zoning variance should not be viewed as an approval of public space elements. If any portion of the project has elements in the public space requiring approval, the Applicant is required to pursue a public space permit through DDOT’s permitting process. The Applicant may refer to the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations and DDOT’s Design and Engineering Manual for specific controls of public space. A summary can be found in the Public Realm Design Manual.

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