


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:** February 22, 2018

**SUBJECT:** **BZA Case No. 19702** – 656 Independence Avenue SE

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**APPLICATION**

Kate and Matthew Gallery (jointly the “Applicant”), pursuant to Title 11 (2016 Zoning Regulations) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), Subtitle X, Chapter 9, requests special exceptions under Subtitle D § 5201 from the occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 and the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2 to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing one-family dwelling in the RF-1 Zone. The Applicant’s zoning self-certification form indicates that the site currently does not provide parking and is required to provide one (1) vehicle parking space. The Applicant is not proposing to provide any additional residential units or vehicle parking spaces with this application. The site is located at 656 Independence Avenue SE (Square 870, Lot 62).

**RECOMMENDATION**

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has reviewed the Applicant’s request and determined that based on the information provided, this proposed action will have no adverse impacts on the travel conditions of the District’s transportation network. DDOT has no objection to the approval of the requested special exceptions.

Public Space

This review only pertains to zoning issues and does not consider potential impacts to District owned public space. DDOT’s lack of objection to the requested special exceptions 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 Titles 11, 12A, and 24 of the DCMR and DDOT’s recently released 2017 Design and Engineering Manual (DEM) for specific controls of public space. A summary can also be found in DDOT’s Public Realm Design Manual.

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