

# Government of the District of Columbia

## Department of Transportation



### d. Planning and Sustainability Division

#### MEMORANDUM

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

**FROM:** Meredith Soniat  
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**DATE:** October 16, 2025

**SUBJECT:** BZA Case No. 21356 - 3112 Woodley Rd NW

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#### APPLICATION

Victor and Julia Raczkowski (jointly the “Applicant”), pursuant to Title 11 of the *District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR)*, requests a Special Exception from the residential development requirements of Subtitle D § 207.1, 208, and 5004.1 to construct a two-story with basement rear addition to an existing single-family detached two-story house with basement. The site is in the R-1B Zone at 3112 Woodley Rd NW (Square 2102, Lot 40) and is served by a 15’ public alley.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has reviewed the application materials and has determined that the proposed action will not have adverse impacts on the District’s transportation network. DDOT has no objection to the approval of the requested relief.

#### STREETScape AND PUBLIC REALM

DDOT’s lack of objection to this application should not be viewed as approval of the public realm. If any portion of this of future projects at the property propose elements within District-owned right-of-way or the building restriction area, the Applicant is required to pursue a public space construction permit. It is noted that the site has a 15-foot Building Restriction Line (BRL) along the Woodley Road NW frontage. The area between the property line and BRL is the building restriction area, which is regulated like DDOT public space and should remain “park-like” with landscaping.

DDOT expects the adjacent public realm to meet all District standards. The Applicant should refer to Titles 11, 12A, and 24 of the [DCMR](#), the most recent version of DDOT’s [Design and Engineering Manual](#), and the [Public Realm Design Manual](#) for public space regulations and design guidance. A permit application can be filed through the DDOT [Transportation Online Permitting System \(TOPS\)](#) website.

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## **HERITAGE AND SPECIAL TREES**

According to the District's [Tree Size Estimator map](#), the property has 3 Special trees. DDOT expects the Applicant to coordinate with the Ward 3 Arborist regarding the preservation and protection of existing Special and small street trees.

Special Trees are between 44 inches and 99.99 inches in circumference. Special Trees may be removed with a permit. However, if a Special Tree is designated to remain by UFD, a Tree Protection Plan (TPP) will be required.

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