

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC OUTREACH

The Applicant is committed to engaging with the community regarding the Project. For over three years, the Applicant and its design team have devoted substantial time to meeting with representatives of ANC 1C and surrounding residents which is summarized on the attached. The development team made initial presentations to the ANC's Planning, Zoning, and Transportation ("PZT") Committee in Fall 2014. The Applicant formed a working group consisting of community stakeholders and led by a respected community facilitator, which convened informal meetings to discuss the Project and outline its impacts. The Applicant again presented to the ANC several times through Winter/Spring 2015 leading up to presentations to HPRB in 2015.

In April 2015, HPRB approved the overall site organization but directed further work on the building design. In response to community concerns and HPRB direction, the Applicant engaged a new architect, who maintained the overall site plan but redesigned the Project to achieve greater compatibility with the character of the Meridian Hill Historic District. Across multiple subsequent presentations to HPRB, the Applicant continued to refine the design and respond to HPRB comments. Throughout this period, the Applicant maintained outreach efforts, including multiple discussions with members of the aforementioned working group and ANC representatives, as well as presentations to the ANC and its PZT, leading up to HPRB's final approval in June 2017.

The Applicant has continued its outreach ahead of filing the instant application, with initial presentations to the community working group and ANC representatives in November-December of this year. The Applicant expects continued dialogue with the working group on the Project leading up to formal presentation to the ANC in Winter 2018 ahead of the Board's hearing on the application, and the Applicant will continue to work with ANC, surrounding residents, and other stakeholders with the goal of reaching consensus prior to the BZA hearing.

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2300 16TH STREET NW: OVERVIEW OF AGENCY AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

2014 – 2015: Initial Concept Design

- December 2013 – February 2014 (Due Diligence Phase):
 - Meetings with OP/HPO and DDOT
 - Initial meeting with ANC chair and single-member district representative
- July – October 2014: Meetings, Presentations, and Discussions regarding Initial Concept Design with:
 - Community stakeholders
 - ANC PZT
 - OP/HPO and DDOT
- November 2014 – March 2015:
 - Community “Working Group” discussions (invitees included 13 community members and ANC Commissioners from surrounding buildings and area):
 - Presentation to ANC PZT regarding Initial Concept Design
 - Presentation to full ANC regarding Initial Concept Design
 - Additional OP/HPO and DDOT meetings
- April 2015:
 - Presentation of Initial Concept Design to HPRB
- May – June 2015:
 - Additional OP/HPO and DDOT meetings regarding changes to Initial Concept Design
 - Presentation to ANC PZT regarding changes to Initial Concept Design

2016 – 2017: Revised Concept Design

- September – November 2016:
 - Meetings, Presentations, and Discussions regarding Revised Concept Design with:
 - Working Group
 - ANC members and community stakeholders
 - 1661 Crescent building
 - National Park Service
 - OP/HPO and DDOT
 - Presentation to ANC PZT regarding Revised Concept Design
 - Presentation to full ANC regarding Revised Concept Design
- December 2016:
 - Presentation to HPRB regarding Revised Concept Design

- February – April 2017:
 - Further changes to Revised Concept Design
 - Additional meetings, presentations and discussion regarding changes with:
 - ANC members and community stakeholders
 - Beekman Place leadership and ANC Commissioners
 - DC Preservation League
 - Additional Meetings with HPO
 - Presentation to ANC PZT regarding changes
 - Presentation to full ANC regarding changes

- May 2017:
 - Presentation to HPRB regarding changes

- May – June 2017
 - Presentation to ANC PZT regarding height alternatives
 - Presentation to full ANC regarding height alternatives
 - Presentation to DC Preservation League – received support for proposed development

- June 2017:
 - Presentation to HPRB regarding alternative designs – received concept approval for Revised Concept Design, as modified.

2017 – 2018: BZA and Public Space Review

- November 2017 – February 2018:
 - Meetings and Discussions with Working Group regarding BZA and public space issues:
 - 11/29/17
 - 12/13/17 (Scheduled with community to focus on zoning and special exceptions)
 - 1/10/18 (Scheduled with community to focus on existing and potentially revised MOU with Meridian)
 - 1/24/18 (Scheduled with community to focus on traffic/operations of proposed development and Meridian use)
 - 1/31/18 (Scheduled with community to focus on negotiating revised MOU)

- February 2018
 - Presentation to ANC PZT regarding BZA and public space issues (estimated)

- March 2018
 - Presentation to full ANC regarding BZA and public space issues (estimated)
 - Presentation to BZA (estimated)
 - Presentation to Public Space Committee (estimated)