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Outline of Testimony

- I. Introduction and Experience
- II. Description of landscape plan, public space improvements, including the pedestrian promenade and open space
- III. Conclusions

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PRINCIPAL

EDUCATION

Master of Regional Planning, 1985, University of Pennsylvania
Master of Appropriate Technology for Development, 1985, University of Pennsylvania
Certificate of Urban Design, 1984, University of Pennsylvania
Master of Landscape Architecture, 1983, University of Pennsylvania
Bachelors of Architecture, 1980, Universidad Central de Venezuela



Prior to establishing PRI in 1996, Trini Rodriguez was principal of the nationally recognized planning and landscape architectural firm of HOH Associates, Inc. Ms. Rodriguez is a LEED certified, Virginia registered landscape architect, certified planner and architect with a variety of experience ranging from building design to small- and large scale urban design, landscape architecture and master planning. She has managed and designed master plans for projects throughout the United States and abroad. She has interdisciplinary expertise that has served a broad spectrum of public agencies, institutions, private developers and corporations. She is fluent in Spanish, French and English. Ms. Rodriguez has worked as an architect in Venezuela, as a designer with EDAW and has taught in the Landscape Design Program at George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

North Bethesda Town Center. Bethesda, Maryland

North Bethesda Center is a suburban infill mixed-use project with millions of square feet of residential, office, and retail space, located adjacent to an existing WMATA Metro station. This urban infill project has put great emphasis on the urban streetscape while still providing private amenity spaces for the residential buildings. The urban massing and streetscape create a vibrant urban edge and a place with strong pedestrian orientation. Landscaping over structure roof terraces and gardens as well as urban plazas were all designed to create a beautiful urbane environment. Services provided by PRI included site planning, public processing and landscape architecture.

Constitution Square. Washington, DC

Located adjacent to the new ATF Headquarters building and the New York Avenue Metro Station in the heart of the new NOMA district of Washington, DC, Constitution Square was one of the first major projects developed within the NOMA district and serves as a catalyst for future development. The complex master plan features three office towers and three residential towers, all over a parking structure that covers an entire city block. A supermarket and a hotel are also included in the project program. A series of roof terraces and gardens on multiple

levels create a green network and oasis between the office and residential towers. Streetscape design is a major component of the project. PRI has developed a dynamic streetscape design conforming to the newly established NOMA district guidelines. Lush plantings of trees are planted in expanded soil volumes using leading edge soil cell technologies. Low impact development basins are included to filter pollutants and sediment from storm water and to reduce water volumes during peak rain events through the use of check dams and plant materials

Arbor Row. Tysons Corner, Virginia

Arbor Row is located in the Tysons Central 123 area of Tysons Corner, on Westpark Drive and Tysons Boulevard. Under the Cityline Partners redevelopment plan the property is poised to transform a row of suburban office buildings into a mix of residential, office, hotel and retail. The office and residential areas will be connected through a series of terraced open areas, including walking paths, sculptures, fountains, and lawn areas all within close proximity to the Tysons Central 123 Metro Station. The end result will be a live, work, play, shop and stay environment. The grand urban plaza will be built over an underground parking structure. It will be an attractive focal point of the development. It will provide a pleasant pedestrian link to the Tysons

Central 123 Metro Station.

Washington Adventist Hospital. Silver Spring, Maryland

The 48 acre hospital campus being developed by Washington Adventist Hospital is a state-of-the-art health care facility that emphasizes the idea of wellness and gracious harmony in its relationship with the surrounding natural environment. The campus provides healing gardens spread over an area of almost 2 acres immediately adjacent to the buildings. In addition the campus includes a 3.3 acre lake and a 2,500 linear feet trail around the lake, becoming a complementary use with additional therapeutic purposes.

Takoma Langley Park. Takoma, Maryland

PRI first started working in this multi-cultural suburb of Washington, DC, to assess the elements needed by the community for a major new service center. PRI's effort required a massive outreach effort that was immensely successful. The County then asked us to become involved in the new Sub-area Master Plan under contract to PB PlaceMaking and to assume the urban design responsibilities. The major issue was to improve community connectivity by proposing new streets and significantly increasing density to accommodate extending the metro rail and to meet with local citizens to build consensus and community support.

8300 Wisconsin Avenue. Bethesda, Maryland

This residential high rise above a full size grocery will feature a public sculpture garden bisecting the building to connect the adjacent park space to the primary residential and retail entrances. In addition to Art, a fountain represents a stylized stream flowing through the outdoor gallery spaces and under the transparent bridges linking the galleries. The high roof amenity spaces, including a pool, outdoor kitchen, sky terrace and large green roof, overlook the sculpture garden. Nearly all the water on the site is filtered through a series of green roofs and large bio-filter retention cells that terrace down through an intricate and highly coordinated series weirs over the garage ramp.

Studio Plaza. Silver Spring, Maryland

Located in the heart of Silver Spring, this one-block long, mixed-use project contributes a significant public green space to the community. The design of the space takes advantage of grade changes across the site by creating terraced

seating that overlooks an open lawn area that could be used for play, sunning, or performances. This main space is connected to Georgia via a pedestrian promenade that is enlivened with textured plantings, sculpture and festive lighting. PRI collaborated with local sculptor Dan Steinhilber to design integrated sculptural site furnishings, which received compliments from the public art panel.

Silver Spring Library. Silver Spring, Maryland

The Silver Spring Library & Art Center located in downtown Silver Spring features a 63,000 SF Library, a 20,000 SF Arts Center to be operated by a private non-profit art education organization, and 30,000 SF of County office space. A future Purple Line Light Rail Station will be integrated at the ground floor level of the building. The streetscape and public spaces are greatly influenced by the final Purple Line Light Rail design as it runs diagonally through the library site. A public plaza defined by Fenton Street and the Purple Line embraces the iconic architecture of the library. This complex

project will serve as a cultural landmark and become a significant anchor within downtown Silver Spring. This project is committed to achieve a LEED Silver rating.

AWARDS

Tree Conservation Award for Outstanding Commitment to Tree Planting at The Falls at Flint Hill, Fairfax County, Virginia, 2012
Puerto Rico NAHB Award for Planning, Parque Escorial, San Juan, 2001
Virginia NAHB Community of the Year, Farrcroft, Fairfax, 2001
American Planning Association Merit Award NEAC, Prince William County Context, Issues and Strategies, 1995
American Planning Association Merit Award, VA Chapter, 1989
Thesis Project Design Award, Lansdowne, Loudoun County Virginia, 1980

MEMBERSHIPS

American Institute of Architects (AIA)
American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP)
American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)
Urban Land Institute (ULA)