

**ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING**

**TIME AND PLACE:** **November 24, 2025, @ 3:00 p.m.**

**Via WebEx:** <https://dcoz.dc.gov/ZC15-28A> (to participate & watch)

**Via Telephone:** 1-650-479-3208 **Access code:** 2303 872 3597 (audio participation & listen)

**Via YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/c/DCOfficeofZoning> (to watch)

**Instructions:** <https://dcoz.dc.gov/release/virtual-public-hearings>

**Witness Sign Up:** <https://dcoz.dc.gov/service/sign-testify>

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING:**

**Z.C. CASE NO. 15-28A – Modification with Hearing to Consolidated Planned Unit Development at 1225 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, N.E. (Square 772, Lots 808, 812, 7000, and 7002) (collectively the “Property”)**

**THIS CASE IS OF INTEREST TO ANC 6C**

**Oral and Written Testimony**

- All who wish to testify in this case are **strongly encouraged** to sign up to do so **at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing** on OZ’s website indicated above. Also, see below: *How to participate as a witness – oral statements*. **On the day of the hearing – by 3:00 p.m.**, call 202-727-0789 to sign up to testify.
- All written comments and/or testimony **must be submitted to the record at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing** – see below: *How to participate as a witness – written statements*.

Press House Pursuit LLC (the “Applicant”) filed an application (“Application”) on March 31, 2025, pursuant to the Zoning Regulations (Title 11 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Zoning Regulations of 2016, to which all references are made unless otherwise specified) requesting review and approval by the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia (the “Commission”) of a Modification with Hearing to a Consolidated Planned Unit Development (“PUD”).

The Property is part of a larger PUD and development site that encompass the northern half of Square 772 (the “Overall PUD Site”). The Overall PUD Site contains approximately 69,240 square feet of land area and is bounded by N Street, N.E. and Florida Avenue, N.E. to the north, a public alley to the south, 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.E. to the east, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, N.E. to the west. The Property contains approximately 24,013 square feet of land area and encompasses the western portion of the Overall PUD Site, along 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Lot 812 of the Property is currently vacant, and Lot 808 contains the National Capital Press Building (“NCP Building”), a three-story structure that was constructed in 1931 (with additions constructed in 1947, 1949, and circa-1963).

Pursuant to Z.C. Order No. 15-28 (“Order”), the Commission approved a Consolidated PUD and related Zoning Map amendment to the C-3-C (now MU-9) zone. The Commission approved the redevelopment of the Overall PUD Site as a mixed-use residential and commercial project with

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*Please address any questions or complaints arising under this hearing to the Office of Open Government* **ZONING COMMISSION**  
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underground parking and ground-floor retail (the “Approved PUD”). The Approved PUD contains two residential components, a hotel, office/retail space, and ground floor retail. As approved by the Commission, the Approved PUD has an overall density of approximately 6.67 floor area ratio (“FAR”), or approximately 461,721 square feet of gross floor area (“GFA”), and maximum heights of approximately 110 feet and 120 feet, not including penthouse. The hotel is the last remaining component of the Approved PUD that has not been constructed.

With the Application, the Applicant proposes modifications to the hotel component of the Approved PUD and additional special exception relief to allow an eating and drinking establishment within the penthouse. The Applicant is seeking to modify the Approved PUD to: (i) redesign certain exterior architectural elements of the hotel structure; (ii) add hotel as a permitted use to a portion of the ground floor of the NCP Building, (iii) increase the hotel guest room count to approximately 189 units (with flexibility to vary the number of units by ±10%), and (iv) modify the design of the hotel penthouse and add a rooftop eating and drinking establishment.

On May 19, 2025, the Office of Planning filed a report recommending the Application be set down for a public hearing. On May 29, 2025, the Commission considered the Application at a public meeting and voted to set the Application down for a public hearing. The Applicant filed a Prehearing Submission on June 4, 2025.

This public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the contested case provisions of the Zoning Regulations, Subtitle Z, Chapter 4.

### **How to participate as a witness – oral presentation**

Interested persons or representatives of organizations may be heard at the virtual public hearing. All individuals, organizations, or associations wishing to testify in this case are **strongly encouraged to sign up to testify at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing** on OZ’s website at <https://dcoz.dc.gov/> or by calling Ella Ackerman at (202) 727-0789 in order to ensure the success of the new virtual public hearing procedures.

The Commission also requests that all witnesses prepare their testimony in writing, submit the written testimony prior to giving statements, and limit oral presentations to summaries of the most important points. The Commission must base its decision on the record before them. Therefore, **all written comments and/or testimony must be submitted to the record at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing**. The following maximum time limits for oral testimony shall be adhered to and no time may be ceded:

1.	Applicant and parties in support	60 minutes collectively
2.	Parties in opposition	60 minutes collectively
3.	Organizations	5 minutes each
4.	Individuals	3 minutes each

Pursuant to Subtitle Z § 408.4, the Commission may increase or decrease the time allowed above, in which case, the presiding officer shall ensure reasonable balance in the allocation of time between proponents and opponents.

### **How to participate as a witness – written statements**

Written statements, in lieu of personal appearances or oral presentation, may be submitted for inclusion in the record. The public is encouraged to submit written testimony through the Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS) at <https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Login.aspx>; however, written statements may also be submitted by e-mail to [zcsubmissions@dc.gov](mailto:zcsubmissions@dc.gov). Please include the case number on your submission. If you are unable to use either of these means of submission, please contact Ella Ackerman at (202) 727-0789 for further assistance.

### **How to participate as a party.**

Any person who desires to participate as a party in this case must so request and must comply with the provisions of Subtitle Z § 404.1.

A party has the right to cross-examine witnesses, to submit proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, to receive a copy of the written decision of the Commission, and to exercise the other rights of parties as specified in the Zoning Regulations. If you are still unsure of what it means to participate as a party and would like more information on this, please contact OZ at [dcoz@dc.gov](mailto:dcoz@dc.gov) or at (202) 727-6311.

Except for an affected ANC, any person who desires to participate as a party in this case must clearly demonstrate that the person's interests would likely be more significantly, distinctly, or uniquely affected by the proposed zoning action than other persons in the general public. Persons seeking party status **shall file with the Commission, not less than 14 days prior to the date set for the hearing, or 14 days prior to a scheduled public meeting if seeking advanced party status consideration, a Form 140 – Party Status Application, a copy of which may be downloaded from OZ's website at: <https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Help/Forms.html>.**

### **“Great weight” to written report of ANC**

Subtitle Z § 406.2 provides that the written report of an affected ANC shall be given great weight if received at any time prior to the date of a Commission meeting to consider final action, including any continuation thereof on the application, and sets forth the information that the report must contain. Pursuant to Subtitle Z § 406.3, an ANC that wishes to participate in the hearing must file a written report at least seven days in advance of the public hearing and provide the name of the person who is authorized by the ANC to represent it at the hearing.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ZONING AT (202) 727-6311.**

**ANTHONY J. HOOD, ROBERT E. MILLER, GWEN WRIGHT, JOSEPH S. IMAMURA, AND TAMMY STIDHAM, ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, BY SARA B. BARDIN, DIRECTOR, AND BY SHARON S. SCHELLIN, SECRETARY TO THE ZONING COMMISSION.**

**Do you need assistance to participate?** If you need special accommodations or need language assistance services (translation or interpretation), please contact Zee Hill at (202) 727-0312 or [Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov](mailto:Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov) five days in advance of the meeting. These services will be provided free of charge.

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