

# 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, AICP  
Associate Director 

**DATE:** February 26, 2021

**SUBJECT:** BZA Case No. 20403 – 1381 Potomac Avenue SE

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#### APPLICATION

Benton Wisehart and Laura Hruby (jointly the “Applicant”), pursuant to Title 11 (2016 Zoning Regulations) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), Subtitle X, Chapter 9, requests a special exception from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 205.4 and the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 to construct a new, two-story rear addition with cellar to an existing two-story, attached, principal dwelling unit. The site is located in the RF-1 Zone at 1381 Potomac Avenue SE (Square 1046, Lot 0128) and is served by a rear 10-foot 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 this application.

#### PUBLIC SPACE

DDOT’s lack of objection to this application should not be viewed as an approval of the public realm design. If any portion of this or future projects at the property propose elements within District owned right-of-way, the Applicant is required to pursue a public space permit through DDOT’s permitting process. 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 \(DEM\)](#), 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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