

From: Enoch Kim enoqkim@gmail.com
Subject: Re: 921 G St SE reno plans
Date: March 31, 2021 at 7:48 PM
To: Michael Siemer siemer.michael@gmail.com
Cc: Anne K amkirwan89@gmail.com



Hi Michael,
Thanks for the update and for sharing the plans. The proposal is good by us - thanks!

Best,
Enoch

On Mon, Mar 29, 2021 at 8:46 PM Michael Siemer <siemer.michael@gmail.com> wrote:
Hey Anne and Enoch,

We wanted to follow up with you in regards to our home renovation plans (it has been a slow process). Ultimately, we had to change our plans (see attached) to align with what the Historic Preservation Review Board (HRPB) would allow us to do. As they are a bit different from what you have seen, would you please review and let us know what you think?

Long story short, HRPB denied our original proposal we had shared with you (dog-leg fill in and pop-up). The reason is (as ridiculous as it is) that the pop-up is "not compatible" with the historic nature of the block, in particular the view from the side elevation on 10th street as it would be visible from that angle (as if the rear view is so beautiful from that side....). As a result we won't be able to add a third story, and we lost hope of adding a third bedroom.

While that was quite a disappointment we considered our alternatives since we do love living here. HPRB has approved the fill-in of the dog-leg. However, just the dog-leg fill-in alone does not give us the space we need. Upon inquiry the HPRB said we would be ok extending our 2 story building to the rear by 5 feet, which is what we are now proposing to DCRA. This requires us to apply for a zoning variance as it would mean our house covers more than 60% of the lot (fun fact: strangely, our front yard, as well as yours, is technically public property and does not count). It would be great if you would be supportive of this modified project, as it'll provide us more space for living as well as a separate home office. If this looks good to you, we'd appreciate you responding with a brief statement of approval so we can submit to DCRA.
We are happy to chat if you want to know more.

Thank you,
Michael

On Sat, Jan 16, 2021 at 10:37 PM Michael Siemer <siemer.michael@gmail.com> wrote:
Hi Anne, Enoch,

I am required to send you the attached public notice, there is nothing you need to do on your end. It contains a link to essentially the same document I had already emailed you. Bureaucracy at work....

Hope you guys are doing well.

Cheers,
Michael

On Jan 2, 2021, at 10:19 AM, Enoch Kim <enoqkim@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Michael,
Thanks for letting us know and sharing the plans. Looks like an exciting project and no issues on our end. Best of luck!

Best,
Anne & Enoch (919 G Street SE)

On Sat, Jan 2, 2021 at 9:53 AM <siemer.michael@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Anne, Enoch,

Attached are our current renovation plans for 921 G St SE.

Cheers,
Michael

Best



Best,
Michael
