

City of Takoma Park -- Façade Advisory Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2016

The City of Takoma Park Façade Advisory Board met on Thursday, November 3, 2016 at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park Maryland.

Members Present: Darsie Cahall, Jim DiLuigi, William Fischer, Lucy Moore, Lorraine Pearsall
Members Absent: Anne Fothergill, Rick Leonard, Eric Sepler
Staff Present: Roz Grigsby
Visitors: John Stone

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Project Review – 7000 Carroll Ave, John Stone

The applicant presented a HAWP proposal to replace the upper story windows and the first floor windows on the side and back of the building, though not the large storefront windows. A new business is opening on the first floor in the next few months, an Italian restaurant. The application is to be reviewed by the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission on November 16, and the deadline for FAB input is November 5th.

The application is to replace the windows by replicating the existing windows, which are steel frames, with extruded anodized aluminum frames and insulated glass. The mullion profiles are shown on the submittal and the sight line will not change from the existing condition.

The Board discussed the importance of the property as a designated outstanding resource in the Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and an iconic building in Takoma Park. The Board discussed the possibility of restoration of the existing windows and the historic tax credits offered by the County (25%) and the State (20%) for restoration work. Pearsall volunteered to help the applicant meet with a skilled window restoration expert and pursue tax credits.

Board Action:

The Board unanimously passed the following resolution:

The Board recommends restoration of the original windows and the use of internal storm windows to increase the energy efficiency of the original windows. The Board encouraged the applicant to pursue historic tax credits for the restoration work.

3. Adjourn

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:



Rosalind Grigsby, staff

Approved:



William Fischer, Chair