

Takoma Park City Council Meeting – April 17, 2019 Agenda Item 2B

Voting Session (Consent Agenda)

Resolution Providing for an Appointment to the Facade Advisory Board

Recommended Council Action

Approve Resolution

Context with Key Issues

The Takoma Park Facade Ordinance provides for the establishment of a seven-member Facade Advisory Board (FAB). The Board's primary function is to serve as an advisory body to the City Council and the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission; to provide input on regulated building projects in the Old Town and Takoma Junction commercial areas; and to provide technical assistance and support to affected commercial property owners.

The makeup of the Board is prescribed by the Ordinance. At least two Board members must be architects, planners, and/or historians. At least two members must own a building or business in the Takoma Old Town and Takoma Junction. One seat is set aside for a representative of Historic Takoma, Inc. for a one-year term. Board members, with the exception of the Historic Takoma representative and alternate, can serve for a maximum of two consecutive three-year terms. The following individuals currently serve on the Board: Anne Fothergill (Ward 3), Lucy Moore (Ward 3), Eric Sepler (Ward 6), Malcolm Williams (Ward 6), and Historic Takoma appointees Lorraine Pearsall (Ward 1) and James DiLuigi (Ward 6, Historic Takoma alternate).

Nicholas Corcoran (Ward 2), an architect, has applied for appointment to the Facade Advisory Board.

Council Priority

Engaged, Responsive, Service-oriented Government

Environmental Considerations N/A

Fiscal Considerations No fiscal impact.

Racial Equity Considerations

The City Council and staff should seek opportunities to recruit people of color to all boards, commissions and committees.

Attachments and Links

Resolution Providing for Appointment to the Facade Advisory Board
<u>https://takomaparkmd.gov/government/boards-commissions-and-committees/facade-advisory-board/</u>

Introduced by:

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION 2019 -

PROVIDING FOR AN APPOINTMENT TO THE FACADE ADVISORY BOARD

- **WHEREAS,** the City Council adopted the Takoma Park Facade Ordinance in 1999, requiring the review of certain building improvements occurring within the Old Town and Takoma Junction commercial districts; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Ordinance, as amended, provides for the establishment of a Facade Advisory Board whose primary responsibility is the implementation of the Takoma Park Facade Ordinance; and
- **WHEREAS,** membership of the Facade Advisory Board consists of seven individuals, at least two of which must be architects, planners, and/or historians, at least two of which must own a building or business in the Takoma Old Town and Takoma Junction area, and one of which is to serve as the representative of Historic Takoma, Inc.; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Nicholas Corcoran, resident of Ward 2, has applied for appointment; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Council has found this individual to be an appropriate candidate to serve on the Facade Advisory Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT Mr. Nicholas Corcoran is appointed to serve on the Facade Advisory Board for a three-year term expiring on March 31, 2022.

Adopted this day of 2019.

ATTEST:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC City Clerk