



HERNDON ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
Work Session Minutes
Wednesday, October 2, 2024

1. Call to Order

Chair Blaker-Glass called the October 2, 2024, Architectural Review Board work session to order at 7:32 p.m. in the Town of Herndon Council Chambers Building, 765 Lynn Street, Herndon, Virginia. In attendance were: Board Members Melody Fetske, Amy Oleinick, Triston Chase O'Savio, Vice Chair Eric Boll, and Chair Leslie Blaker-Glass.

Staff present during the meeting: Lauri Sigler, Deputy Town Attorney; Bryce Perry, Deputy Director of Community Development; and Aaron Zoellick, Clerk of Boards and Commissions.

Chair Blaker-Glass determined there was a quorum of five members present.

2. New Business

a. Discussion Item - 575 Herndon Parkway

Chair Blaker-Glass opened the discussion and called on Mr. Perry for the staff presentation.

Mr. Perry delivered the staff memo dated October 2, 2024, which is on file with the Department of Community Development. Mr. Perry stated this discussion is a formal Architectural Review Board assessment of the architectural components of an active rezoning application for 575 Herndon Parkway. Staff is seeking input from the Architectural Review Board.

There was discussion among the Board and staff on this item, including clarification on the location of the project.

Chair Blaker-Glass recognized the applicants for comments.

Lori Greenlief with McGuire Woods provided brief comments.

Thomas Dinneny and Kim Silva with DCS Design delivered a presentation dated October 2, 2024, which is on file with the Department of Community Development.

There was discussion among the Board, staff, and the applicants on this item, including: (1) concern that the design looks busy; (2) the desire to see more green space around the exterior of the building; (3) clarification on whether the units will be rentals or condos; (4) concern that the massing is overwhelming; (5) the desire to see something that would be unique to Herndon; (6) concern that the perimeter is extremely rigid; (7) appreciation for the swooping roof on the facade across from the metro station; (8) the belief that the building needs to be a landmark because it will be the first building people see when they arrive from the metro; (9) the timeline on construction; (10) clarification on why the design did not go higher than 6-7 stories; (11) the board's requirement to follow the guidelines in the Herndon Transit Oriented Core; (12) concern about the overuse of panels; and (13) using the design at 555 Herndon Parkway as an example.

3. **Comments**

a. **Comments from the Staff Members**

Mr. Perry stated that a new planner position will be posted in the next two weeks. Staff is hoping to fill the position by the end of the month.

b. **Comments from the Board Members**

Chair Blaker-Glass invited board members to introduce themselves to Triston Chase O'Savio.

4. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, and without objection, the October 2, 2024, Architectural Review Board work session adjourned at 8:47 p.m.



Aaron Zoellick
Clerk of Boards and Commissions

Minutes approved by the Architectural Review Board: November 20, 2024

