



**HERNDON ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 7, 2024**

**1. Call to Order**

The Architectural Review Board of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, met in work session on Wednesday, February 7, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. in the Town of Herndon Council Chambers Building, 765 Lynn Street, Herndon, Virginia. In attendance were: Chair Leslie Blaker-Glass, Vice Chair Eric Boll, and Board Members Melody Fetske and William Savage. Board Member Amy Oleinick was absent.

Staff present during the meeting: Lauri Sigler, Deputy Town Attorney; Tamsin Himes, Lead Planner/Design Development; and Aaron Zoellick, Clerk of Boards and Commissions.

Chair Blaker-Glass called the February 7, 2024, Architectural Review Board work session to order at 7:30 p.m. and stated that four members were present, which constituted a quorum.

**2. Discussion**

**a. Herndon Elementary School - 630 Dranesville Road**

Chair Blaker-Glass opened the work session and called on Ms. Himes for the staff presentation.

Ms. Himes delivered the staff report and presentation dated February 7, 2024, which is on file with the Department of Community Development.

There was a discussion among the Board Members and staff on this item, including (1) the expected timeline to go through review before coming to the ARB, (2) clarification that the trailers will be removed, (3) concern that the proposed design will look dated in 10 years, (4) concern about the industrial metal look, (5) whether a plan exists to plant trees and vegetation to obscure the extension from adjacent properties, (6) concern over a lack of cohesiveness, (7) branding and spirit of the school, and (8) concern that the current design is not welcoming.

Chair Blaker-Glass recognized the applicant for comments.

Representatives for the applicant Maureen Wiechart, Heidi Leinbach, and Saeed Dornajafi were present and provided comments.

There was a discussion among the Board Members, staff, and the applicant on this item, including (1) the screening and the presence of a roof ladder, (2) the alternative design presented by the applicant and its conduciveness to adjacent properties, (3) comparison to Herndon High School, (4) a Herndon brand of schools, (5) preference for light screening and the creation on an entry plaza, (6) the location of the existing parking lot, (7) clarification on the staff entrance, (8) removal of the trailers, (9) planned vegetative buffer, (10) concern over a lack of windows on the rear wall, (11) the importance of the use of color in the design, and (12) and the importance of matching the original brick to the new brick.

### **3. Comments**

#### **a. Comments from the Staff Members**

Ms. Himes reminded the Board that the February 21, 2024, ARB regular meeting was canceled.

#### **b. Comments from the Board Members**

No comments were provided.

### **4. Adjournment**

On the motion of Board Member Fetske, seconded by Board Member Savage, and without objection, the February 7, 2024, ARB work session was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Aaron Zoellick". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Aaron Zoellick**  
**Clerk of Boards and Commissions**

Minutes approved by Architectural Review Board: July 17, 2024