



## Meeting Notes

Powell SIT Meeting

3/24/2016

9AM

Powell ES, 1350 Upshur St NW, Washington, DC

Facilitator: Toussaint Webster

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### Overview:

Objectives:

To update the SIT on building D layout, features, and progress; To introduce the permitting process for construction; To deliver a site overview and communicate updated timeline






### Attendance:

1	Jessica Hare	9	Christine Miller
2	Tanya Snyder	10	James Hennessy
3	Christine Stoessel	11	Ms. Lyons-Lucas
4	Zach Teutsch	12	Novella Brady
5	Carla Ferris	13	Toussaint Webster
6	Ellyon Bell	14	Christina Weaver
7	Mark Sanders	15	Michele Blackwell
8	Andre Rowe	16	Sean Garganio
9	Reeve Johnson		












### Notes:

Issue	Comments
Building D Layout Recap + Landscape Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Novella Brady presented both floors of the Building D plan</li> </ul> <p>The Following Questions were asked and comments were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Are there restrooms on the second floor?</b> Yes, there will be a staff restroom on the 2nd floor.</li> <li>▪ <b>Where does the land come from that widens that alley?</b> It will take a little from the former Twin Oaks garden.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Where is bike parking?</b> LEED certification requests it, but the location has not been finalized.</li> <li>▪ <b>At least seven staff members bike. Can we have some bike parking at the bottom of the entrance and some at the top of the stairs/new ADA ramp so they are covered from the weather? Can there be additional bike parking in the back?</b> We will check on all three of those locations.</li> <li>▪ <b>Please remember that the LEED requirement for number of bike parking spaces may not match what the future bike parking demand will be. It is a low cost solution to have more bike parking than we need currently, in preparation for the future.</b></li> </ul>
<p>Subcontractors/Trades Currently Secured</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sitework (outdoors)</li> <li>▪ Structural Steel</li> <li>▪ Concrete</li> <li>▪ Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing</li> <li>▪ Windows/Exterior Curtainwall/Glazing</li> <li>▪ This means that 85% of the subcontractors are bought</li> </ul>
<p>Overview of Permit Approval Process</p>	<p>Excavation Permit Progress:</p>

Department/Agency	Current Status	As of
Zoning Zonificación	Approved 	3/11/16
Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE) Departamento de Medio Ambiente del Distrito (DDOE, por sus siglas en inglés)	Comments received; responses submitted 3/16/16; second review and approval pending 	3/16/16
Department of Transportation (DDOT) Departamento de Transporte del Distrito (DDOT, por sus siglas en inglés)	Approved 	3/11/16
Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB)	Approved 	3/11/16
Others Otros Green	Pending 	3/24/16

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Zoning Zonificación	Approved 	3/11/16
Structural Estructural	Approved 	3/11/16
Mechanical Mecánica	Approved 	3/11/16
Electrical Electricidad	Approved 	3/11/16
Plumbing Plomería	Approved 	3/11/16
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DC Water Agua De DC	Approved 	3/11/16
Department of Transportation (DDOT) Departamento de Transporte del Distrito (DDOT, por sus siglas en inglés)	Received verbal approval from DDOT; awaiting official approval from DCRA 	3/24/16
Department of Health (DOH) Departamento de Salud (DOH, por sus siglas en inglés)	Preliminary review done on 3/4/16; target submission date for full review: end of the month 	3/17/16
Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB)	Approved 	3/11/16
Others (Commission of Fine Arts (CFA), Fire, Elevator, Green) Otros	All Approved 	3/11/16

The Following Questions were asked:

- **Without DOEE approval, we can't start digging on the land, right?** Right.
- **Is it a lot of small issues in the comments that's holding us back?** It's mainly stormwater management, sanitary, sewer, and site utility.
- **Will the building still be complete by December '16?** We will massage the schedule as much as we can in the minimum amount of time possible.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Will an after-hours construction permit be necessary?</b> Not so far, but it could be a course of action depending on how long we continue to wait on permit approvals.</li> <li>▪ <b>The community had been promised permeable pavers, external and inter parking lot landscape. That is what may be holding up the DOEE portion of the permit.</b> We are trying to figure out how to achieve that plan within our budget. DOEE has those plans. They were proposed plans, not promised. The community meeting was held on June 11, 2015 at the school auditorium. A copy of the presentation is on the DGS website: <a href="#">DGS website</a> -&gt; <a href="#">Construction</a> tab, select <a href="#">DGS Construction Projects</a> -&gt; select <a href="#">School Projects</a> -&gt; scroll down to select <a href="#">Powell ES</a> -&gt; the <a href="#">June 11, 2015 Community Meeting presentation</a> is featured (<a href="#">slide 16</a> shows the <b>proposed</b> plans for the parking lot).</li> <li>▪ <b>Where are you on the pricing exercise for the playground and parking lot?</b> We have had an initial meeting, but the process is ongoing.</li> <li>▪ <b>Did we find out how much money will be left for playground and parking?</b> No, that depends on the construction costs for Building D--the one we're waiting on the permits for.</li> <li>▪ <b>Will the Early Childhood Education (ECE) playspace fit within the <a href="#">NAEYC</a>?</b> Yes, that is part of the landscaping.</li> <li>▪ <b>Is there any news on the custodial storage space and the boiler room?</b> Building D has a new custodial office. We're still developing plans for the basement (i.e. we're still working to find what's causing water to enter the basement).</li> <li>▪ <b>Do we need to go back to the city council and ask for money to fix the problem in the basement?</b> We won't know until we identify the problem and price of the solution.</li> <li>▪ <b>I thought that Building D included the auditorium. Will that be renovated?</b> No, it was renovated in summer 2015. There will be minor changes like removing the kitchen-related storage, equipment, and refrigerator.</li> <li>▪ <b>Will the librarian have furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FF&amp;E) input?</b> Yes, we are setting up a meeting with Jennifer Boudrye. We will invite the librarian.</li> <li>▪ <b>Will the temporary ramp out back interfere with parking?</b> Yes, you will lose two parking spaces.</li> <li>▪ <b>Can we start parking in the lot on the west side of the auditorium?</b> No. That would interfere with the construction site.</li> </ul>
<p>Upcoming School Construction Activities: March 2016</p>	<p>Projected construction initiation pending receipt of work permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pending approval - Construction of Temporary Ramp at Existing Parking Lot (Auditorium Entrance). New drawing was shown that interferes with less parking (2 spots instead of four)</li> <li>▪ The week following ramp construction - Demolition of basement stairs, excavation for basement and footings</li> <li>▪ 2 Weeks following basement stair demolition - Installation of Foundation Piers</li> </ul>

Design Team Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Building D furniture, fixtures, and equipment meeting with Powell leadership took place on March 18, 2016</li> <li>▪ The color scheme will be similar to what we have now, with the primary color being orange.</li> </ul>
Demolition of Basement Stairs and Construction of Temporary ADA Ramp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The permanent ADA ramp in the front - construction ramp will begin Summer '16</li> </ul>
Closing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contact, with questions and concerns: <a href="mailto:toussaint.webster@dc.gov">toussaint.webster@dc.gov</a> and <a href="http://www.engagedcps.org">www.engagedcps.org</a></li> <li>▪ Next meeting: April 21, 2016, 9AM</li> </ul>