



MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

February 27, 2024

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to Mayor's Order 1983-119, dated May 6, 1983, and section 4 of the Historic Landmark and Historic Protection Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-144; D.C. Official Code § 6-1103), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

Mr. Andrew Aurbach
Morrison Street, NW
Washington, DC 20015
(Ward 3)

for reappointment as a historian member of the Historic Preservation Review Board, for a term to end July 21, 2027.

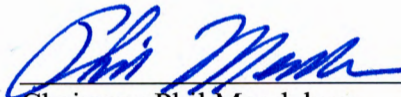
Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Muriel Bowser".

Muriel Bowser
Mayor


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

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6 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION
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10 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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15 To confirm the reappointment of Mr. Andrew P. Aurbach to the Historic Preservation Review
16 Board.

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18 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this
19 resolution may be cited as the “Historic Preservation Review Board Andrew P. Aurbach
20 Confirmation Resolution of 2024”.

21 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

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23 Mr. Andrew Aurbach
24 Morrison Street, NW
25 Washington, DC 20015
26 (Ward 3)
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28 as a historian member of the Historic Preservation Review Board, established by Mayor’s Order
29 83-119, dated May 6, 1983, and pursuant to section 4 of the Historic Landmark and Historic
30 District Protection Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-144; D.C. Official Code §
31 6-1103), for a term to end July 21, 2027.

32 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
33 upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

34 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.



Andrew Phillip Aurbach

Over twenty years of years of entrepreneurial experience designing and executing educational programs, tactical community engagement and advocacy campaigns, innovative media strategy, award-winning video and multimedia production, meeting/conference planning and communications consulting for a diverse set of clients across the corporate, government and non-profit sectors.

Professional

Consulting and strategy for the development and implementation of content across video, print and multimedia platforms including broadcast and non-broadcast video, web applications, mobile applications, analytics, SEO, digital relationships and social media. Focus on planning, urbanism, cultural and environmental sustainability and community building at the local, state and regional level. Manage multiple projects and a flexible work staff across many locations based on project work.

Capital Sustainability, Inc. Community, environmental and energy sustainability, 2014-Present

Rivendell International, Inc., Media Production and Communications Consulting, President 1992-Present

ASAA Multimedia, LLC Digital Solutions and Application Development, Principal 1997-Present

Selected Clients:

Government: US Department of Defense, US Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Emergency Management Administration, Transportation Security Administration, National Academy of Sciences, Prince William County, Virginia,

Non-Profit: AASHTO, Washington, DC and the Capital Region USA, Conservation International, World Wildlife Fund, Georgetown University, Institute of Medicine, American Psychological Association, International Association of Women Judges, Constitution Project, DC Cooperative Housing Coalition

Corporate: Sodexo, Distributed Energy Financial Group, Central Uniforms, Dress it Up Dressing, Leadership Connection, DCBiofuel, DinoInShaw, GreaterPlaces.com

Selected Awards: Telly, Aurora, Aegis, Communicator, Accolade, Das Goldene Stattdor (Travel and Tourism, Germany)

Guest Lecturer, Catholic University of America, City and Regional Planning

Topics: Digital Media, Community Engagement, Public Participation

Selected Educational and Advocacy Programming

- Day In the Life of the Utility Customer, award-winning program that brought customer care leaders from utilities nationwide for a series of working meetings that yielded content envisioning the customer experience in 2015 (see www.rivendell.tv/dilo). First produced in 2008, the 2020 update is currently underway.
- Prince William County, Virginia, ongoing video, online and print materials supporting the Building Development Division, Neighborhood Services Division and the County Communications Office; educating county residents and businesses to navigate the various regulatory processes including starting a business and obtaining occupancy permits.
- *Great Decisions*, Producer for half-hour international policy series for Georgetown University and the Foreign Policy Association, distributed nationally on Public Television. Broadcast program content coordinated with the publishers of briefing books that catalyzed discussion with local discussion groups nationwide (1994-2006).

Boards and Appointments

Coalition for Smarter Growth, (Current) Member, Champions/Advisory Council,
Ward 3 Vision, (Current) Steering Committee

Advising CSG on organizational sustainability, strategic marketing and communications and on issues related to advocacy of sustainable development. At the community level, promoting Smart Growth and Transit Oriented Development in the District of Columbia. Work with community stakeholders, local legislative bodies and the executive branch to articulate and implement policies and actions associated with housing and transportation choices, compact development in conjunction with sustainable and livable communities' initiatives. Successfully worked with community stakeholders on development projects to incorporate smart growth principles to the benefit of neighborhoods and the District.

District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board, (2006-2009, 2012-present) Mayoral appointee charged with designation and design review of historic assets in the Nation's Capital. Currently, as Chair of the Sustainability Task Force, responsible for rewriting historic building guidelines and incorporating sustainable features to be compatible with historic structures. Responsible for bringing representatives from OP, DDOE, DCRA, DOES, DGS, OSSE and HPO into the program and coordinating the funding from a variety of city capital and operational sources across these agencies. The Task Force will oversee the creation and deployment of communications programs and outreach strategies including social media, web resources and meeting materials to ensure stakeholder acceptance and community involvement.

Sidwell Friends School Alumni Association, President, 2008-2011. Oversaw programming for and fundraising of a membership of over 3,000. Successfully implemented first Strategic Plan which resulted in measured increases in alumni participation and fundraising, expanded volunteer base and utilization of resources for the benefit of the community; ex-Officio member of the Board of Trustees.

Current: Chair of the Nominating Committee

The Cleveland Park Historical Society 2000-2007

Board Member and Webmaster

University of Wisconsin Alumni Club of Washington, DC President, 1992-1997

Planned and executed events for over 4,000 local alumni. Created a local foundation fund and raised over \$30,000 for the local scholarship endowment

Community Organizations

Connecticut Avenue Pedestrian Action Steering Committee Member; work with community groups, legislative stakeholders and the DC Department of Transportation to advocate for and implement a progressive multi-modal solution for this heavily traveled corridor; Successfully raised monies and completed a pedestrian audit working with over 80 volunteers in phase one of the project.

District of Columbia Office of Planning, Neighborhood Sustainability Indicator Pilot Project, Task Force, Identified sustainability indicators and potential stakeholders to collaborate on this neighborhood focused project to enable the community mitigate negative environmental impacts and to promote and improve more responsible and environmentally sustainable practices (2009-2010).

Selected Broadcast Credits

- Network White House Producer, 1996 Campaign and Election
- Producer, *Legends of Airpower*, a multi-part series detailing the lives and times of those who shaped United States aviation history
- U.S. Production Coordinator, *The Clintons: A Marriage of Power*, a three-part miniseries produced for the BBC and Discovery Networks
- Producer, *Runways of Fire*, documentary on the quest for zero-length launch of Air Force F-100 aircraft during the Cold War. Distributed nationally for [Air & Space Smithsonian](#)

EDUCATION

The Catholic University of America, School of Architecture and Planning

Masters in City and Regional Planning

Tau Sigma Delta Honors Society

Thesis: Innovative Technology Platforms in the Public Engagement Process

Outstanding Student Award

Member, American Planning Association

The University of Wisconsin at Madison, Bachelor of Sciences

Awarded Distinction in both majors: Journalism and History (1990)

Earned Certificate in Integrated Liberal Studies



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Andrew Aurbach



As a lifelong resident of Washington, DC, Andrew’s commitment to community, and especially the District, is natural extension of his formative experiences and the conscious choice to raise his own family in the same community where he grew up. His love of community extends into all facets of his career and life, most especially how to maintain and enhance Washington, DC as a historic place and world class city in a sustainable and livable way.

Andrew has built a successful media consulting business that includes designing and implementing multimedia and communications strategies for numerous clients spanning Fortune 500 companies, federal, state, and local governments, major institutions of higher learning, trade associations and community groups. With this work, Andrew’s specialty was in productions that had a policy impact including Great Decisions, a multi-year public television series for Georgetown University and the Foreign Policy Association, Runways of Fire for the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, and To Paint the Stars: The Life and Mind of Vincent Van Gogh. Aurbach was the U.S. coordinator for The Clintons: A Marriage of Power. He was a network White House producer, and produced the first interactive DVD ROM, Encyclopedia Electronica, a multimedia educational resource. Aurbach has developed an interactive presence for the Transportation Curriculum Coordination Council of the US Federal Highway Administration and was a team member for the update of the FEMA RiskMAP initiative for the web. His work has earned a number of domestic and international awards.

Throughout his life Aurbach has been involved with a wide variety of community initiatives related to transportation, planning, and sustainability. He currently serves on the Champion’s Council for the Coalition for Smarter Growth and the steering committee for Ward 3 Vision, providing guidance for community building, capacity building, and outreach. He also served on the steering committees of Connecticut Avenue Pedestrian Action and the DC Office of Planning’s Neighborhood Sustainability Indicators Project. He has served on the District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board where he chairs the Board’s Sustainability Committee.

Andrew’s passion is to strengthen community in the District in a sustainable and cooperative way. And as a testament to that passion, he recently completed his Master of City and Regional Planning at Catholic University; a challenge he took on to support his volunteerism and love of DC. His thesis focuses on innovative technology platforms in the community engagement process. He continues to combine strategy and technical innovation on behalf of his clients.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Tomas Talamante, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: February 7, 2024
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Bill Marzella, Gabrielle Miller, Georgeanne Matthews, Patrick Williams, Andrew Aurbach, and Gretchen Pfahler as members of the Historic Preservation Review Board

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call Erika Satterlee, Deputy General Counsel, Executive Office of the Mayor, at 202-724-1303, or me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth A. (Betsy) Cavendish