

PUBLIC HEARING--March 17, 1965

Appeal #8097 The Catholic University of America, appellant.

The Zoning Administrator District of Columbia, appellee.

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the following Order was entered on March 24, 1965:

ORDERED:

That the appeal for permission to erect a law school building as part of the University on the east side of Harewood Road between Taylor Street and Michigan Ave. N.E., parcel 133/148, near square 3659, be granted.

From the records and the evidence adduced at the hearing, the Board finds the following facts:

(1) Appellant's proposed law school is located on a large tract of land owned by the University bounded by Michigan Avenue, Brookland Ave., Harewood Road and Taylor Street. The building will be located approximately midway between Michigan Avenue and Taylor Street and will be approximately 75 feet back from Harewood Road.

(2) Appellant's proposed school has depths of 70 and 80 feet and a length of 252 feet and will be approximately two stories in height. The ground floor will contain lounge and snack area, boiler room, toilets, classrooms and lockers. The second floor will consist primarily of classrooms and the third floor will contain a large reading room and offices.

(3) The Department of Highways and Traffic offers no objection to the granting of this appeal.

(4) The National Capital Park and Planning Commission offers no objection to the granting of this appeal.

(5) The proposed building will provide 47,560 gross square feet and will accommodate 20 faculty members and approximately 300 students.

(6) There was filed with the Board a University Master Plot Plan on which the law school building has been indicated.

(7) There was no objection to the granting of this appeal registered at the public hearing.

OPINION:

We are of the opinion, that in view of the location of the proposed law school, that the use is not likely to become objectionable to neighboring property because of noise, traffic, number of students, or other objectionable conditions.

The Board is of the further opinion that the granting of this appeal will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations and map and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with said zoning regulations and maps.