

## Survey Results from June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015 BCA Historic Preservation Public Meeting

Unanimously, residents want to keep the *beauty* of the row homes from the street scape view. The method by which to accomplish this was quite diverse. Overwhelmingly, three areas that residents were concerned about (1) displacing longtime residents and (2) the District government telling them what they could and could not do to their homes, and (3) having the historic designation result in raising costs for repairs and renovations (potentially drive out low income, vulnerable, and students. In short, residents want a solution that is *all inclusive*.

While everyone believed this to be a productive and great meeting, some respondents of the survey still want to know more, specifically, about the process and some are just uncertain. Some also believed that others wanted historical designation to stop the “pop-ups,” without considering all that comes along with historic designation.

Historical designation will stop pop-ups, but not pop-backs. This is something to consider and the BCA Historic Preservation Committee should consider all options to achieve beauty from the street scape, eliminate pop-ups and pop-backs, and the impact to our businesses.

Simply put, a good recommendation to the Committee is to achieve “Development that is in tune to neighborhood’s history and serves the present-day community.”

The next BCA Historic Preservation Public Meeting to address resident’s concerns will be announced by next BCA monthly meeting.