



FMW Renovation Update

May 6, 2018

Monday

DOEE approves the Stormwater Management Plan and the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan. We run over to DCRA and pay the \$2,970 permit fee and upload the receipts.

We resubmit the site plan to include our promise to replace 10 feet of DC Water supply main under Decatur Place.

DOEE reminds us that we must schedule a pre-construction meeting with their inspector three days before disturbing any ground, and that they won't schedule the meeting until we have a building permit.

Tuesday

We begin a spirited discussion of just how the wall turns the corner from the current ground floor corridor into the new corridor to the lobby. Turns out to be more of an issue than you would think. The devils are in the details.

Arrival of the monthly bills from the architects, etc.

Wednesday

It appears that when DOEE says "building permit", they really mean "site permit", and that we can't get that until DC Water signs off.

The DC Water reviewer says our resubmission on Monday gives her 30 days to review our plan and there are 10 other projects on top of it in her inbox.

Thursday

Monarc says they don't think our builder's risk insurance covers everything it should and wonders whether we would like to use their insurance instead.

DOEE informs us that the Declaration of Covenants for our stormwater management facilities that we gave them has now been couriered to their other office where we can go pick it up and get it recorded.

Friday

We pick up the Declaration, take it across the street to the Recorder of Deeds, pay the fee, and take the receipt back to DOEE, supposedly completing the very last step in the Stormwater Management Plan approval process.

It appears that DC Water, DDOT, and the DCRA Zoning Office are the remaining holdouts. We consider begging for mercy and/or hiring consultants.

Looking Ahead

Outlook is slightly hazy. We need to untangle an apparently circular sequence involving our public space use permit. Which comes first, scissors, paper, or rock? Another biweekly project meeting on Wednesday. We hope for better news by then.