

RCC Renovation Committee (RCCRC): Information Letter No. 5 – August 24-25, 2019

Dear Fellow Parishioners and Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This memorandum is being circulated to update Resurrection parishioners on the activities of RCC's Renovation Committee (RCCRC) since the committee's last status report in January 2019. (See Information Letter No.4, dated January 19-20, 2019).

On November 30, 2018, RCC received Bishop Knestout's letter of approval to proceed with renovation project planning. In response, the RCCRC commenced implementation of Phases 3 and 4 under the Richmond Diocese's procedures for renovation projects (ref: "Construction and Renovation Policy of The Catholic Diocese of Richmond"). The RCCRC's current work with respect to these two phases is to define and confirm the physical space requirements to be met by our project, as well as to make a preliminary determination as to project feasibility. The principal objective to be met at the conclusion of Phase 4 is presentation of a proposed schematic design to the Richmond Diocese's Building and Renovation Committee (BARC).

In March 2019, the RCCRC engaged the architectural firm of Harrison Design (HD), headquartered in Washington, D.C., to assist the committee in preparation of a preliminary renovation schematic design. Over the last several months the committee has been working with HD's lead liturgical architect, Nic Charbonneau, to define objectives and priorities for the renovation project. These objectives/priorities are being determined with reference to theological/GIRM (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, Third Edition – 2011) requirements, architectural considerations, and local worship needs, as identified by parishioner responses to last year's survey questionnaire and committee discernment.

Over the course of its assignment, HD has instructed the committee on the theological and architectural precedents/considerations that are the foundation for Catholic liturgical space design. HD has also prepared 2-D and 3-D digital drawings of our existing church structure which can be used now and in the future to explore various renovation configuration options. Most recently, based on committee replies to a detailed project needs questionnaire, HD has prepared several concept designs for the committee's review to elicit guidance on key elements to be incorporated into the schematic design.

At the conclusion of Phase 4 planning, which the committee expects to achieve sometime in October 2019, RCC will present a proposed schematic design with a rough project cost estimate for BARC approval. Once a schematic design has been approved by the BARC, further design development will be initiated, more precise cost estimating will take place, and organization of a capital campaign will be inaugurated. In the final planning stages (Phases 5-7, per the diocese's renovation guidelines), in mid-2020 the renovation design will be finalized, fund raising will begin, construction drawings will be commissioned, a construction contractor will be hired, and construction will then commence.

As the RCCRC works with HD in coming months to develop a preliminary schematic design for BARC review, the RCCRC will seek and welcome receipt of ideas, comments, and suggestions from all parishioners. Once draft schematic design drawings are ready for consideration, RCCRC members will brief parishioners and interested ministry groups on the status of design development. Going forward, the RCCRC will also continue to issue periodic information letters for distribution via our parish bulletin, e-blast, and the parish website.

In closing, the RCCRC would, once again, like to assure all parishioners that we will make every effort to insure that our work meets the goals of our mission statement, complies with the requirements of Canon Law and the GIRM, and addresses the spiritual and community ministry/community service needs of Resurrection parishioners.

We continue to ask for your prayers that our renovation project, undertaken in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, will be pleasing to God. Our ultimate result must be a church renovation that reflects the true splendor of God, appropriately celebrates Jesus Christ's sacrifice for all of us, and strengthens our identity as Resurrection Catholic Church.

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