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# DC Selects Community Three Development For Grimke School Project

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*The Grimke School at 912 U St. NW*

After its deal with Roadside Development fell through, the DC Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development has selected a new team to redevelop the historic Grimke School site. DMPED chose Community Three Development, along with Torti Gallas + Partners and CulturalDC, to redevelop the site at 912 U St. NW.

In the historic school building, the team will create a new home for the African American Civil War Museum, and Cultural DC will program 5K SF of new space. Torti Gallas + Partners, the team's architectural firm, will be moving its HQ from Maryland into the building. For the rest of the site, the team will build 50 housing units, 15 of them affordable, and 4K SF of retail fronting bustling

U Street, a block from JBG's transformational North End Shaw projects.

Roadside had originally been selected after DMPED's 2014 RFP process, and had planned to build 20K SF of offices, a 7,500 SF dance studio and a 35-unit condo building, in addition to the museum and retail. But the developer ran into roadblocks after discovering the site needed more work than it had expected, faced community backlash for the delays, and ultimately the District decided to part ways with the developer and seek another team.