

February 24, 2016

1618 E Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 200/210-S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Application No. 19193
1620-1622 E Street, SE

To Whom it May Concern,

Please accept this letter as our endorsement, support and request for approval of the application and project presented by C&S Development Co. LLC for 1620-1622 E Street SE related to variances for lot width and area requirements.

As the residents living directly next to the impending development, we have thought deeply about the pros and cons of this new addition to our neighborhood, and have had many conversations with JD Schmidt. The neighborhood, the block and our family will benefit from the new construction and new residents that will reside in the three row houses with English basements. With our first baby due this fall, our hope is to continue to remain District residents for years to come, and to raise our children in a safe, happy and welcoming neighborhood. The addition of these units as planned by C&S will help contribute to the safety and comradery of the neighborhood.

This fall, Brad and I invited JD Schmidt and C&S to our home to speak with our neighborhood about the project, share their plans and to respond to questions. As stated in our block's collective endorsement for the project, the units C&S are proposing are compatible with the character of other houses on our block, as well as responsive to the need for housing diversity by their inclusion of separate entry two bedroom rental units. We believe this approach addresses two major concerns of development in older parts of our city: contextually scaled architecture, and development that is sensitive to the issue of pricing out portions of our city's population. C&S should not be penalized for attempting to meet both of these divergent interests.

We look forward to continuing our relationship with JD Schmidt and C&S Development, and look forward to the seeing the project come to fruition for the collective good of the neighborhood and the District. We hope you will support this effort with no reservation.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,
Rachael and Brad Doss

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