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**Sent:** Monday, July 2, 2018 9:18 AM  
**To:** DCOZ - BZA Submissions (DCOZ)  
**Subject:** Opposition to [burleith] 3520 S Street / Case 19521A / BZA Modification of Significance Request

Dear Board members:

I already sent a similar email to the ANC, copying you. That said, I also wanted to draw your attention to this issue.

I understand that you are looking into case # 19521A: Application of property owner David Hunter Smith for the relief approved by BZA Order No. 19521 to include a variance from the accessory building requirements of Subtitle D Â§ 1209.4, to construct a second story accessory apartment above an existing garage in the R-20 Zone at premises 3520 S Street N.W.

**I am strongly opposed to such an accessory apartment in our neighborhood.** This ADU is of particular importance as it is the first one in Burleith and will set the precedence for our neighborhood. First, I feel strongly that Burleigh already has parking issues (sometimes neighbors park in my private alleyway parking and I have to ask them to leave so that I can park) and such accessory buildings would increase further density and cars. Already, the trashcans are at times haphazardly stacked in the alley way. Second, populating the alley way with a full lot width coverage will reduce the bit of privacy we enjoy in Burleith, which would be a shame. Also, I would find it difficult to see that DCRA could control illegal occupancy in terms of business license requirement for rental houses or confirming rentals are in fact rentals. How could it check that the owner would live in the main house? In my own alleyway, I already see that an illegal house has been built (with a stop on it twice) and the owner is simply ignoring such stops and creating facts. I really hope that you can make this stop.

With best wishes,

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