

November 9, 2017

Board of Zoning Adjustment  
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Suite 200S  
Washington, DC 20001

SUBJECT: In opposition to BZA 19572 Application of SIM  
Development, LLC

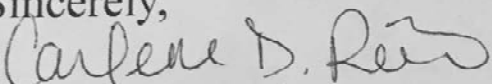
My name is Carlene Reid. I reside at 1922 15<sup>th</sup> Street SE. The zoning adjustment application being heard has a direct impact on myself and neighbors which include the residents adjacent to me and Ketcham Elementary School.

This project is adjacent to Historic Anacostia. The size proposed by the owner would definitely impend upon the aesthetics of the neighborhood. We ask that any adjustments to the height of the building be complimentary to the aesthetic guidelines for the historic district. This would mean minimal adjustments to the height of the building or an addition of no more than one story to the current structure.

Lastly, this application has to be the poorest example of community outreach I have ever experienced. I never received formal notice of the project despite written notification requirement with individuals within a 200 ft. radius of the building. My neighbors and I coordinated a meeting with our ANC commissioner to receive more information about the project. Because my neighbors and I had to coordinate this meeting, I do not feel that the applicants did their due diligence in notifying residents in the area immediately impacted by this project. During the impromptu meeting in front of our homes,

our ANC commissioner invites "community outreach" personnel, one of which has been a business owner who has questionable business practices within the district according to several articles in the Washington Post and the Washington City Paper. Additionally, despite promises from both the owner's community outreach personnel and our ANC commissioner the residents immediately surrounding the property never received a traffic study to identify patterns in the flow of traffic through our community and potential impacts on parking. We ask that no variances related to parking requirements are approved due to the absence of a viable transportation action plan. Additionally, due to the questionable nature of the community outreach staff, this study should be conducted by a third party that has no associations with any of the parties involved.

Sincerely,

  
Carlene D. Reid

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