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From: Laura Stanton
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To: Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA)

Re: **Comments in Opposition to BZA Case Number 19705.** The BZA should deny the request by the Madison to have their garage entrance from W Street.

- I. **Parking for the proposed project should include a one way entrance accessible from both 15th Streets, NW and W Street, NW and a one way exit closer to V Street, NW.**

We do not support a parking garage entrance for the project on W Street. DDOT and the Office of Planning do not support the garage location on W street. W Street is a one-way street that has significant congestion. The entrance of the parking garage will back up the traffic further, create a pedestrian hazard, and a dead zone between the north-south alley and 14th Street.

Moving the parking entrance is moved to the alley will simplify access. The Madison will have to resolve the issues of the vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the alley to achieve their goal to activate the alley.

II. Support for the Project

Beyond our concerns for the garage entrance, we support the Madison's development. They have listened to community concerns, incorporated changes into their design, and have integrated the public art into their development. Trash management is an excellent example of a deliberate approach where they have decided to keep the trash inside the building rather than having dumpsters lining the alley.

Sincerely,



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