



Government of the District of Columbia

## Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6C

February 5, 2008

Mr. Anthony Hood, Chairperson  
D.C. Office of Zoning  
441 Fourth Street N.W. Suite 200 S  
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: 318 I Street N.E. - ZC Case # 05-15A, Applicant hearing February 7, 2008

Dear Mr. Hood:

ANC 6C met on January 9, 2008, at its duly noticed, regularly scheduled monthly meeting with a quorum of 9 out of 9 commissioners and the public present. After a discussion of the issues, the commissioners voted unanimously, 9:0:0 to oppose this application, based on citizen input that the project was taking too much from the community (e.g., insufficient parking in the building with consequent spillover onto our neighborhood streets, height that towers over small adjacent homes) and not offering sufficient amenities in return. Our vote included designation of ANC 6C05 Commissioner Alan Kimber, the SMD ANC representative in which 318 I is located, to represent the ANC at the February 7 BZA hearing and to continue negotiations with the developer to determine if an amenity arrangement could be worked out before the hearing. If the amenities could be resolved, ANC 6C stated it likely would support the project, depending on the outcome of the discussions.

I have been trying to contact Commissioner Kimber since mid-January to get his input on progress on the negotiations with the developer in order to draft the letter to BZA. I've sent several emails and left voice messages on his cell phone every few days, with no response.

Yesterday I learned that Comm. Kimber had a tragic death in the family, a young person in her 20's killed in an auto accident. He's been in Alabama without cell phone availability, and understandably otherwise occupied. He will not return to D.C. until February 9, and thus cannot be at the February 7 hearing to testify. He is the only knowledgeable ANC 6C person on this project in his SMD.

Commissioner Kimber called me last night and we talked for a long while about how best to proceed. My understanding from our conversation is that, while some good progress has been made in his discussions with the developer, not all constituent concerns have been addressed.

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Although ANC 6C does not want to inconvenience the BZA board or unnecessarily delay the developer, we respectfully request that the record be held open for two weeks past the hearing date - until February 21, 2008 - to allow the discussions regarding our constituent concerns to be fully addressed. ANC 6C meets next on February 13, and we will hold a final vote on the matter at that time and be able to submit the results of the vote to the BZA by February 21. We are confident that we can resolve all remaining issues by that time.

Due to the unfortunate circumstances in Commissioner Kimber's family requiring his absence, I will attend the February 7 hearing in his place. Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Karen Wirt

Chair, ANC 6C



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FYI: Re case 05-15A for Feb-7 hearing