

RECEIVED

D.C. OFFICE OF ZONING

2006 MAY 25 AM 11:41
2935 Tilden Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008
May 23, 2006

Carol J. Mitten, Chairman
DC Office of Zoning
1 Judiciary Square
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Case 05-26

Dear Ms. Mitten,

I am writing for my husband, Stephen Belcher, and myself to express our strong recommendation that the Zoning Commission reject the Clark Company's request to change the zoning of their property on Tilden Street. We live directly across the street from this property and lived through the building of 1883 Connecticut which left the pleasant median strip of Tilden Street a ripped up mess because of their truck traffic. I am sure you know by now that our small community is strongly opposed to their plan to build a large apartment building in a space that had been designated for town houses, according to their own plans of some years ago. We attended the recent ANC meeting at which the Clark people presented their plan and it was very interesting that all of the attendees were against this plan. It is not often that such unanimity is achieved.

Clark built 1883 Connecticut Avenue against the wishes of the community and it is not a great addition to the neighborhood, but we can live with it. To build another large building in front of that one (and you will note that none of the pictures of their proposed building includes the existing building in the back) is going to create a different kind of neighborhood. We realize that changes are inevitable, but to build a large building with limited parking, limited access to delivery trucks, etc., does not make much sense.

We would welcome the town houses that were originally planned. We ask you to consider this matter very carefully, and are counting on your good judgment to support our community.

Sincerely,

Louise Belcher, Stephen Belcher

Louise and Stephen P. Belcher

ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia

CASE NO.

05-26

EXHIBIT NO.

57

ZONING COMMISSION

District of Columbia
CASE NO. 05-26
EXHIBIT NO. 57