

April 5, 2006

ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia

Ms. Carol J. Mitten, Chairman
Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, N.W. Suite 210
Washington, DC 20001

CASE NO. 05-26
EXHIBIT NO. 82

RE: Case No. 05-26
(2950 Tilden Street, NW)

Dear Ms. Mitten:

I am writing to express my **vigorous opposition** to the proposed building project at 2950 Tilden Street, NW by Clark Realty, LLC. As a resident of the 3883 Connecticut Avenue Condominiums ("3883"), I am directly and adversely affected by this proposed project and urge that the Commission not approve this application.

I live on the 6th floor of 3883 and face the lot where Clark is attempting to construct this building. We purchased the unit in September of 2005 and specifically asked the Monument sales agent about the view from my window (let me emphasize, I only have two windows and both face this empty lot). We were assured that the lot was zoned for townhomes that match the charming landscape down Tilden and our view would be preserved. Imagine my shock when we discovered that this townhome zoning had somehow been grossly expanded to a 49-unit condominium building.

Matter of right zoning is what Clark is entitled to and they have not proved anything to the contrary. I can think of no other issue where the community is so united as they are with the opposition to this project. Our neighborhood alliance consists of the young, the elderly, the foreign, the local, the apolitical, owners, renters, and our political representatives. Clark has absolutely no community support, none.

I'll reference Councilmember Mendelson's January 9th letter to the Commission, "The alleged high-density mapping for 2950 Tilden Street is a vestige from the original (1985) street-less maps. In the course of subsequent amendments to the plan, it was assumed that the coloring followed the line of the zone districts along Connecticut Avenue. Indeed, generally, the land use maps follow the line of zone districts, and there is language in the Ward 3 element confirming this sentiment. **There was never any intention or proposal calling for increasing the zoning along Tilden Street. Never.**

I ask that the Commission hear what the community is saying. Please preserve what we all love as Tilden Street and do not grant Clark this unwarranted and undeserved application. Protect matter of right zoning!

Sincerely,

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