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The Honorable Anthony Hood, Chairman
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Zoning Commission Case Number 08-21
Athena Group LLC – Consolidated Review of a Planned Unit
Development and Related Map Amendment at Square 1356

Dear Chairman Hood:

This letter sets forth the updated Canal View Homeowners Association (CVHOA) position in regard to the referenced project. We now **support** the development plan contained in the Athena submission of June 25th, 2009 on the above referenced project. The CVHOA respectfully requests that the record be re-opened to include this supplemental letter, and to note its support for the pending application.

We think that that it is important that the Commission know that our Homeowners Association reviewed all aspects of these proceedings carefully. We engaged experienced counsel to help us think through the issues presented by the application. We have sent representatives to attend the Commission's own Hearings, the ANC 3D hearings, and a variety of informal meetings involving representatives of all the interested parties and groups. We have met, as a group and in many small groups, many times to consider the issues raised by the proposed project. We have had the benefit of presentations at our own meetings from the ANC 3D, from our friends at the Palisades Civic Association, and from Athena as well. To the extent that they cared to involve themselves, all of our members have had a full opportunity to participate in our process, and our views have evolved as the result of a democratic, grass roots process in which all of our homeowners have had the chance to become informed and to make their views known. While I cannot say that we are unanimous on the subject, we have now formed a clear majority consensus among ourselves that we wish to support the pending Athena application, and I have been asked to present those views to the Commission for the record, by this letter and at any public meeting.

We do so for several reasons. First, although we have had many reservations about the design of the project, we believe that the Athena project has evolved in a very positive way over the course of these proceedings. We can see that our voices were heard in many of the design changes to which Athena has already agreed. Our Association believes that it has become a project that is worth supporting on its own merits, and one that will in the long run be a benefit to our community. Second, we have been impressed with our long engagement with Athena, an engagement which has now resulted in additional agreements benefitting and protecting our homeowners' interests, during the construction period and thereafter, in a

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responsible and detailed fashion. For all of these reasons we request the opportunity to place in the record the views of the CVHOA that the pending application should be granted.

Please note that Gareth H. Moore was elected as President of the Canal View HOA on July 6th, 2009, and is now taking over responsibility from R.E. Tucker Jr., who had served as President for the past several years.

We will attend the Commission Meeting on September 14th, 2009 to answer any questions the Commission may have concerning our position, and to urge that the Commission grant Final Approval to the pending Athena PUD application.

Sincerely yours,



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