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Dear Mr. Rogers:

Thank you for your interest in the concerns of the neighbors regarding the proposed MedLink Hospital/Holladay apartment project, and your attendance at the August 24th meeting among the Capitol Hill Restoration Society, the Stanton Park Neighborhood Association, Saint James Church, and the Capitol Hill Coalition for Sensible Development. We appreciate your offer to assist the neighborhood in having the Department of Public Works (DPW) perform a parking survey in the area around the MedLink Hospital site.

As you are aware, the size and complexity of this proposed apartment project has aroused major concerns from the neighborhood. Although various city agencies have been asked to review this project piecemeal, the total MedLink/Holladay project will have major impact on the neighborhood, and parking in particular. The attached *Summary of Current and Projected Parking Problems around the Medlink Hospital Property* details past history, the present situation, and our perception of the impact of these proposals.

As a first step to moving from the anecdotal to the factual regarding the current parking situation, CHCSD volunteers surveyed parking within two blocks of the MedLink facility. The result (see attached) confirmed neighbors concerns regarding the impact of the proposed development. We are convinced that an objective review by DPW would add further credence to neighborhood parking concerns.

In requesting a parking survey from the Department of Public Works, we would suggest that a survey be conducted on two weekday nights (e.g., Monday and Thursday) between 9PM and midnight, and on a Sunday morning between 10:30AM and 1:30PM. These may not be the most convenient hours for DPW, but are the periods when neighbors currently encounter the worst problems. The survey should cover all blocks bounded by E. Capitol Street, D Street NE, 5th Street NE and 10th Street NE. We recognize that our volunteers are not professionals in this field and so we welcome the opportunity to discuss how the survey would be best conducted with DPW staff. We do know that it took us about 1 hour to do one count and would be interested in "riding along" with the survey team if invited.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 202/543-6986 (home) or 301/443-3822 (work), or by e-mail at AGetz@samhsa.gov.

Sincerely,

Al Getz

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