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The District of Columbia
Zoning Commission
Attention, Chairman Anthony Hood
441 Fourth Street, NW Suite 200
Washington, D.C. 20002.

"In reference to BZA Application 16551".

Dear Chairman Hood:

I have the understanding that Mr. Darryl Walker came before the Board of Zoning and Adjustment, (BZA). On February 16, 2000 in regard to **"Dee's Diamond In the Rough" A certificate of Occupancy Application 608053, located at 1335 H., Street, N.E.** Represented by Ms. Dora Hunter 5551 B., Street, SE WDC. 20019. Case No. 16.5651, Pursuant to section 3103.2 of the Zoning Regulation for the District of Columbia, an application is hereby made for the following actions to open up a "Social Lounge and Dance Place" on the first floor in a C-2-A at 1335 H., Street, N.E. in Square 1027, Lot 824. Mr. Darryl Walker, may have perjurers himself or discredit the 6A Commission on his own negligent. He testified falsely under oath, and he was not speaking on behalf of the 6A Commission.

Chairman Marvin F. Fields, Jr. received Ms. Dora Hunter representative of the Dance Place on January 12, 12000. Whereas she made her presentation. Ms. Hunter goals and objectives of the lounge is to establish a social relaxed entertaining atmosphere, to promote harmony, and to have constructed attitude. It will be a weekend multi ethnic environment, serving non-alcohol beverage and assorted foods, and the place will set for circa socializing and listen to live comedians and poetry performances. This application lies in the boundary of single member district Commissioner, H. J. Amons, Sr, Commissioner, Amons, and from my understanding he had not, had the opportunity to meet with Ms. Hunter. The 6A Commission Zoning and Licensing Subcommittee received noted of this application on December 30, 1999. Whereas, I as Chair of the 6A Commission notified the Chair of the Z and L Subcommittee Commissioner, Marvin F. Fields, and he notified other Z&L members.

Mr. Walker testified before the BZA on February 16, 2000, and said that Commissioner, Marvin F. Fields, Jr. is not the Chair of the 6A Zoning and Licensing Subcommittee. This is not true! There was only one election conducted in January, and that election took place on January 6, 2000. Whereas, I preside over the first part of the election until a new chair and member of the executive body was elected. There was no re-election of subcommittee chairs or members to this day. The term of subcommittee members and chair is usually a two terms of a SMD ANC.

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6A ANC's sitting as chairs or members is the term of two years and may be existent ed into their next two terms. The 6A Zoning and License is the second most important meeting of our commission, because it gives our commission an opportunity to received and deal with the surrounding community without being interrupted by other issues of the 6A Commission. The subcommittees' are government by five (5) members. A chair, which must be a 6A Commissioner, two other members who must be a 6A Commissioner and members of the surrounding community. Any present 6A Commissioners, or passed 6A Commissioners are welcome. Usually there is no interruption in the function of a subcommittee carrying out the business of the 6A community, especially the 6A Zoning and Licensing subcommittee.

In addition to receiving notification from the BZA I sent out some letters the very next day to confirm they're noticed and too asked the applicants and other parties to appear before us on January 12, 2000 and they did so. The surrounding communities, and 6A Commissioners were notified by letter or fax. On January 12, 2000. After Ms. Hunter made her presentation members of the Z&L committee took into consideration the area of the new lounge (Dee's Diamond In the Rough) and consider the area around it a high impact area. Mr. Gregory J. Ferrell and I informed Ms. Hunter the requirements of the Zoning Commission that she comes up with a parking plan in order to receive a certificate of occupancy.

Commissioner, Gregory J. Ferrell made the motion to recommend and too referred the item before us to the 6A Commission of the whole for February 3, 2000, but that meeting was not sanction by a Resolution (*Authorization of Official To Transact Business with A Bank on behalf of the 6A Commission*) of executive members to be approved by the whole commission, nor a resolution (*Authorization For Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A to participation in the ANC Security Fund*) to be approved by the whole commission. Therefore, Mr. Darryl Walker had too adjourned the meeting. Members voted in favor of Dee's Diamond In the Rough 1335 H., N.E. providing that Ms. Hunter provides the Z & L Commission with proof of at least seven (7) parking spaces. The motion was second by Commissioner, Daniel M. Pernell. Six (6) commissioners voted too referred the matter to the entry 6A Commission, and three (3) commissioners voted abstained.

Mr. Darryl Walker came before the BZA on February 16, 2000, without the sanction or consent of the whole 6A Commission. At the January 6, 2000 or February 3, 2000 6A Commission meetings of the whole, We had not made any official response to BZA Application 16551. The application was put on the agenda by Chairman Fields for February 3, 2000 for all 6A Commissioners to view, discuss, and to vote on. As of now, there has been no official 6A Commission meeting of the whole conducted by the new chair. Therefore this 6A Commission was unable to make any dissensions on behalf of BZA Application 16551 or to be approved by whole commission. Therefore, the recommendations of the Zoning and Licensing subcommittee remains under ruling and recommendation of the chair Commissioner, Marvin F. Fields, Jr. Any parties or interest individuals wishing to discuss BZA Application 16551 must contact the chair of the Z & L.

Mr. Walker cannot operate or preside over any 6A Commission meeting until such resolutions above have been approved by the whole 6A Commission. Mr. Walker, acted along in his position concerning BZA Application 16551. I also believed that he perjurers himself, and the possibility of jeopardize a relationship between Dance Place 1335 H., Street, and Chairman Marvin F. Fields, Jr. In his position too resolved, any and all concerning matters of BZA's and PUD's application of the surrounding communities of 6A and the Zoning and Licensing Subcommittee.

As former Chair of the 6A Commission, I regret any embarrassed or discredit Mr. Darryl Walker made have caused your commission on his behalf February 16, 2000 before the District of Columbia Board of Zoning and Adjustment I personally apologized, and regret any missed understanding. As Commissioner I will continually work with the Chair and other members of the District Zoning Commission to have clear understanding on what is coming to our communities.

Thank you!

Commissioner, Daniel M. Pernell, III
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

CC: To Members of the Zoning Commission
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District Auditor