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Re: BZA Application No. 16832
REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE

Dear Mr. Griffis and members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment:

On behalf of the Metropolis Development Company, LLC ("Metropolis"), and for the reasons stated below, we request that the Board continue the hearing in the above-referenced matter, which is currently scheduled for the morning of February 12, 2002, until the first available date in March 2002.

Metropolis previously retained the architectural firm of Shalom Baranes & Associates to design the project which is the subject of BZA Application No. 16832. However, Metropolis is currently considering proposals from additional architects for completing this project. Regardless of the final decision on the architect for the project, because of the nature of the site, it is expected that the zoning relief requested by this application will remain the same. However, as the design of the project may change, as well as the expected zoning relief, additional time is needed to allow any new architects to study and, as appropriate, modify the current plans. A brief continuance to the first available date in March, 2002, will afford the applicant sufficient time to select an architect, make any necessary revisions to the plans, present such revisions to ANC 1B and the Office of Planning and prepare its prehearing submission in a timely fashion.

In light of the foregoing, Metropolis respectfully requests that the hearing on the application be continued to the first available date in March, 2002.

BZA
Case No. 16832
Exhibit No. 24

Board of Zoning Adjustment
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Your consideration of this request is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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