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September 21, 2005

Anthony Muhammad
Chairperson
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8A
2100-D Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20020

Re: BZA Application No. 17358 (2352, 2356 and 2360 High Street, S.E.) Safe Haven Outreach Ministry

Dear Mr. Muhammad:

On September 20, 2005, at 2:58 PM, the Office of Zoning (OZ) received your letter (attached) regarding the above-cited matter. Please be advised that the record in the above-cited application was closed at the conclusion of the Board of Zoning Adjustment hearing, which preceded the filing of your letter. As such, and in accordance with 11 DCMR subsection 3121.9, your letter is being returned to you.

Please call Richard S. Nero, Jr., Chief, Support Services and Quality Control at (202) 727-6311, if you have any questions relevant to the foregoing.

SINCERELY,

JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director

Attachment
rsn

BZA
Case No. 17358
Exhibit No. 34

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
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ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 8A

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September 20, 2005

Carol Mitten
Chairperson
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW, Second Floor
Washington, D.C. 2001

Re: BZA Application No.17358

Dear Chairperson Mitten and Members of the Commission:

Please be advised that our Community Public Meeting on September 6, 2005 with a full quorum oppose the Safe Haven project. Furthermore at the Executive Board Meeting on September 19, 2005, four Commissioners opposed the Safe Haven Project as well.

The Commissioners who opposed the project were Chairman Anthony Muhammad, Commissioner Barbara Clark, Commissioner Juanita Jefferson, Commissioner Maritia Michaels (phoned in her opposition). We feel that the Safe Haven, Haven House Project will disturb the peace, order and quiet of the neighborhood.

Sincerely

Anthony Muhammad
Chair

cc: Honorable Councilmember Marion Barry

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ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 8A

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Community Meeting Minutes

September 6th, 2005
UPO Building—1649 Good Hope RD SE

Attending: Commissioners Muhammad and Hudson. Commissioner Sapp arrived at 7:19pm. Commissioner Jefferson arrived at 7:23pm.

Quorum was called to order by Cm. Anthony Muhammad at 7:25 pm. The meeting was commenced by Cm. Muhammad with no objections.

Cm. Hudson read the minutes from the July's Community Meeting. Cm. Sapp made the motion to accept the minutes and seconded by Cm. Jefferson.

Presentations

Avis Russell, *General Council for WASA* along with staff from the Office of Public Affairs discussed the *"Planned Improvements to the Water System Infrastructure Located East of the Anacostia River, Washington."* This initiative will include $70 million worth of improvements. Including but not limited to: Maintaining water quality; reliable fire protection; improve water pressure; enhance reliability for the community; address water, fire, and maintenance challenges at the St. Elizabeth campus; and will support future development. These improvements will replace 6,000 feet of piping along Minnesota Ave, from Pennsylvania Ave. to W street replaces low pressure-rated pipe with higher rated pipe to meet pressure requirements. Intend to lay 5,300 feet of 24" pipe along W street, from Ft. Station Reservoirs to Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., to provide a secondary feed to the Ft. Station Reservoirs, and a looped transmission network for better circulation. Although WASA intends to build a state – of-the-art pumping facility, the existing station will remain open during construction with no loss of service. WASA also plans to construct a 2 million gallon elevated storage tank in southern portion of Anacostia that will maintain optimal pressure, provide ample fire protection storage and provide emergency reserve in the event of mechanical failure to the pumping station. The anticipated impacts are: timeframe and rate structure may fluctuate.

Laurent Ross of the *DC College Savings Plan* gave a presentation highlighting the tax

benefits, enrollment process, and statistics.

Marsha Richardson of *Safe Haven Ministries* gave a detailed description of the history of Ministry and their upcoming project on High Street—which they are requesting support for a special variance. The project is receiving opposition for the surrounding neighbors because of the tentative parking situation.

Mrs. Muhammad of *Wedded Bliss* gave a brief presentation of her program that promotes marriage in the Black community.

Community Concerns
Pat Jones of the Fairlawn Civic Association gave an announcement regarding the upcoming Harvest Ball on Friday October 21, 2005 cost $30. The proceeds will donated to their scholarship fund.

Mrs. Price of the United Planning Organization gave an announcement regarding canning gleaming program.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18pm

Submitted by

LaTesha Hudson
Secretary

EXCERPT FROM TITLE 11 DCMR, "ZONING

3115 ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONS

3115.1 The written report of the ANC shall be submitted to the Board at least seven (7) days in advance of the hearing and shall contain the following information:

(a) An identification of the appeal or application;

(b) When the public meeting of the ANC to consider the appeal or application was held;

(c) Whether proper notice of that meeting was given by the ANC;

(d) The number of members of the ANC that constitutes a quorum and the number of members present at the meeting;

(e) The issues and concerns of the ANC about the appeal or application, as related to the standards of the Zoning Regulations against the appeal or application must be judged;

(f) The recommendation, if any, of the ANC as to the disposition of the appeal or application;

(g) The vote on the motion to adopt the report to the Board;

(h) The name of the person who is authorized by the ANC to present the report; and

(i) The signature of the chairperson or vice-chairperson of the ANC.

3115.2 The Board shall give "great weight" to the written report of the ANC, as required by No. 1-261, D.C. Code, 1982 ed.

3115.3 In the event the ANC submits its report on the basis of understandings, agreements, or meetings with the appellant, or applicant which later are modified by appellant or applicant, the designated representative of the ANC may comment orally concerning the specific inconsistencies. No other new matters may be presented orally by the designated representative of the ANC.