

**Government of the District of Columbia
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3-D**

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August 24, 2007

Ms. Allison C. Prince
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RE: Lab School of Washington's Motion for the Modification of Condition No. 6 in
BZA Order No. 17383-A and Waiver of Six Month Requirement for Filing Under
11 DCMR §3129

Dear Ms. Prince:

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3D is in receipt of a copy of Lab School of Washington's August 21 filing with the Board of Zoning Adjustment requesting a waiver of the six-month requirement for implementing Condition No. 6 of Order No. 17383-A (finalized on February 2, 2007). As anticipated by your letter, the request for a September 4th BZA hearing of this request precludes any ANC action as the commission's next scheduled meeting is September 5th.

While ANC 3D is thus unable to consider this request formally, I have sought the input of commissioners who have previously been active in the Lab School case. They noted that a significant event has taken place since February, which is the Lab School's successful bid in June to take over the lease of the Rock Creek International School on Foxhall Road near the intersection of Reservoir. Rock Creek International operates under BZA Order No. 16424 (expires September 30, 2009).

The Commission understands that Lab School intends to move into the Rock Creek site this fall subject to the seven (7) Conditions of Order No. 16424. Given that orders governing both sites contain conditions with respect to onsite parking we would ask that the Lab School clarify its long-term intentions with respect to Order No. 17383-A and the angled-in parking.

Specifically we wish to know how Lab School's extension onto the Rock Creek International campus affects its overall parking capacity. Will the Lab School seek to fulfill the need for more onsite parking which prompted the plan for angled back-in parking spaces along Whitehaven Parkway by instead seeking to utilize parking spaces at the Rock Creek International site?

We ask this question in observation of the following:

- Under the Lab School order, Findings of Fact, No. 35 states: "Construction of the 43 spaces will replace 17 existing spaces, resulting in a net increase of 26 public parking

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spaces." And No. 37 states: "The 107 parking spaces on site, together with the 26 additional parking spaces that would be created by the construction of the angled parking, would provide ample parking to meet the parking demand for 130 spaces set forth in the TMP."

- At the same time that the Lab School must expand its onsite parking, Rock Creek International Condition #5 of BZA Order No 16424, which governs at the Rock Creek International site, states: "Twenty-six (26) on-site parking spaces shall be provided" there.

Separately, I understand from commissioners that discussions may have begun between the Lab School and the recent purchaser of a parcel of land adjacent to Whitehaven Parkway, part of the former Hornblower Estate. Given the growth of all of the schools on Whitehaven, and given the demand for parking and administrative space, we would ask that you share with us any developments in these discussions at the earliest possible time.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rachel Thompson', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Rachel Thompson
Chair, ANC 3D
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cc: Ruthanne Miller, Chairman, Board of Zoning Adjustment
ANC Commissioners