



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”

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Mr. Frederick Hill
Chairperson Board of Zoning Adjustment
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RE: Request for Postponement for BZA Modification Application (19475A)

The Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) is scheduled to consider The George Apartments’ modification request on **November 12, 2025**.

The George Apartments, located at **2601 Virginia Avenue, NW**, has filed an application with the BZA requesting a **modification, without a hearing**, to permanently reduce the required retail space on the first floor—which has remained vacant for approximately five years—in exchange for:

- Creating a small **“café and market”** open to the public;
- Relocating resident amenities (including a gym and study rooms) to the first floor in space currently zoned for retail use; and
- Adding **eight new apartment units** on the second floor where the gym is currently located.

Commissioner **Ed Comer (2A04)**, after consulting with surrounding residents, raised several questions and concerns, particularly regarding the proposed café and market concept.

The George presented a **general concept** for the café and market at ANC 2A’s regularly scheduled **October 2025** meeting, but important details—such as its size, seating capacity, equipment, and range of products—remained **unclear**.

These details are significant in determining whether the proposed café and market would **serve the needs of the community**.

The **Foggy Bottom West End (FBWE) Main Street** informed ANC 2A, through a written letter, that it **opposes the proposed zoning modification** because it has “not seen the required best efforts by [the George’s owners] to find a tenant that will serve the community”.



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Other community members, including representatives of the **Foggy Bottom Association**, have also expressed opposition to the proposed modification for the same reasons;

That Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A respectfully **requests that the Board of Zoning Adjustment postpone consideration** of this application **until February 2026**, to allow sufficient time for additional discussions between The George, FBWE Main Street, the Foggy Bottom Association, and other community stakeholders;

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Trupti Patel
Chairperson