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VIA E-MAIL: bz submissions@dc.gov

RE: Application of DC Public Library (DCPL) to the Board of Zoning Adjustment for Special Exception Relief – Southwest Neighborhood Library, 900 Wesley Place, SW, Square 542, Lot 87

Dear Chairman Hill and Members of the Board:

COMMISSIONERS

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At a public meeting on December 11, 2017, ANC 6D voted 3-0-2 to support the BZA application of DCPL for certain special exception relief as detailed below. The ANC welcomes the new library building to our community.

The specific relief sought is as follows:

Section C-1603.8 Lot occupancy – the project as planned exceeds the 40% lot occupancy limit. The additional lot occupancy will be very helpful in achieving the proposed program. There will be no adverse impacts as a result of the slightly increased lot occupancy. The site will still contain ample open space and is buffered from surrounding uses by its three street frontages.

Section C-703 Parking – the new library is required to contain nine parking spaces and the plans contain seven. For that reason, BZA relief is required. Based on a survey of 248 patrons of the Southwest Library, 91.9% walk to the site. The survey supports DCPL's actual observations. For that reason, the deficiency of two parking spaces will not have any adverse impacts.

Section C-1609.1 – the pervious surface requirement for most buildings in the R-3 zone is 20%. However, there is a higher requirement of 30% for public libraries. The proposed library will predominately contain solar panels rather than a green roof. As a result, it will be difficult to achieve the 30% pervious

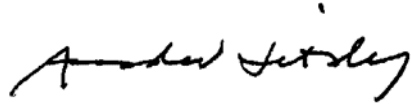
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surface minimum. The ANC does not anticipate any adverse impacts as a result of this relief.

The ANC appreciates the opportunity to comment on this application.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy Litsky". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small dot above the 'y'.

Andy Litsky
Chairman, ANC 6D
Southwest, Navy Yard & Buzzard Point