

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 29, 2019
TO: DC Office of Planning and DC Board of Zoning Adjustment
FROM: Bertha G. Holliday, ANC 5E07 Commissioner
RE: **Case # 19887 (Request for Variance in Use)**
SUBJ: Request to re-open the record, and submit additions and corrections to Exhibit 58, **“Summary of Coordination between ANC, neighbors and applicants on BZA Case 19887” as noted on IZIS**

I would like to request that the record for BZA Case # 19887 be re-opened for inclusion of additional information and attachments related to Exhibit 58 of the IZIS file for this case.

Thank you for your consideration.

Addition to “Summary of Coordination between ANC, neighbors and applicants on BZA Case 19887” as noted on IZIS

The previously submitted “Summary of Coordination...” failed to include numerous electronic communications (primarily on the daily Bloomingdale Listserve and its sister Bloomingdale Blog) related to Case 19887 – most of which were posted at the request of the ANC 5E07 Commissioner. These included the following with associated documentation attached,

- Oct, - Nov. As noted in her 12/19/19 personal testimony, during this period, the ANC 5E07 Commissioner received 3 statements related to case 19887 and reviewed at least 3 other statements submitted to the case’s IZIS files.
- October 27 “Jam Doung seeks Zoning use variance....” (Bloomingdale Listserve)
- November 15 “Bloomingdale Civic Association” – posted meeting agenda including item on “Jam Doung restaurant zoning relief” (Bloomingdale Listserve and Blog)
- November 16 “Jam Doung...application for a zoning USE variance...” Blog and version included a copy of the complete contents of the IZIS case file of #19887 as of 11/15/18 (Bloomingdale Listserve and Blog)
- December 17 “Jam Doung Zoning Variance at th BZA – Wednesday” (Bloomingdale Listserve and Blog)
- December 18 “Jam Doung Zoning Variance at the BZA -- tomorrow “ (Bloomingdale Listserve)
- December 19 The ANC 5E07 Commissioner presents and enters into the record personal testimony including explication of neighbor comments received after the ANC submitted its comments to BZA. Neighbors’ concerns about trash, parking, additional traffic, loitering, rodent control, and noise were described relative to cause and impact. As of that date, no other neighbor concerns had been conveyed to the Commissioner – other than a one or two related to the applicant’s ability to meet the technical criteria for a variance in use (IZIS Exhibit 49).
- January 17 “Special ANC 5E07 meeting on Jam Doung – tomorrow...” (Bloomingdale Blog including copy of meeting notice)

January 18

"Want to participate in a discussion about Jam Doung..."
(Bloomingdale Listserv and Blog—included meeting notice)

Also, it should be noted that the January 17 entry on the previously submitted "Summary of coordination..." is in error. The planning of the neighbor/owner meeting was initiated approximately 2 weeks prior to the neighbor's inquiry about a meeting. However, difficulty was encountered in securing a confirmed meeting place within easy walking distance. The inquiring neighbor was informed a meeting was scheduled and a notice had been submitted for posting on the Bloomingdale Listserv. The neighbor graciously volunteered to distribute the meeting notice to neighbors on the unit block of Randolph Place NW (sent to her immediately by email).

Also, there was no consensus among neighbors at the January 19 meeting as to whether there should or should not be a second floor rooftop terrace.. But there was consensus on recommended strategies to reduce rooftop noise, should BZA approve the rooftop terrace..

Thank you for your consideration.