
Comments for the Record in BZA Case No. 20915A, 6905 Willow Street, NW (Square 3359, Lot 52)

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Dear Board of Zoning Adjustment:

We write as neighbors residing within the boundaries of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B and as former Commissioners for Single Member Districts 4B04 and 4B02, respectively, in response to Takoma Lot 5, LLC's application for an extension in BZA Case No. 20915A, regarding a proposed nine-unit apartment building at 6905 Willow Street, NW. Single Member District 4B04, the location of the project, is currently vacant.

We continue to view the project as a positive opportunity to add housing in a transit-accessible location. At the same time, we want to highlight several community priorities raised during our time as Commissioners and approved via formal Commission action at that time that we believe should remain part of the public record as the project moves forward.

As the Board noted in its June 14, 2023, Order approving the previously requested special exception:

The ANC report raised concerns and made requests regarding affordable housing, vehicle parking, the proposed playground, and a mid-block crosswalk. *The Applicant noted at the Public Hearing they were in agreement with most of the ANC's requests*, and these requests were not adopted by the Board as conditions of the final order.

We submit these comments to ensure transparency with regard to the community's feedback and priorities at the time we served as Commissioners, particularly given the current vacancy in Single Member District 4B04 and the absence, to our knowledge, of any action by the current Commission on this extension request.

The concerns and requests raised included limiting surface parking to the zoning minimum and using permeable materials; ensuring the playground is permanently publicly accessible with age-appropriate features; and working with the District Department of Transportation to install a mid-block crosswalk.

We believe these community priorities, as expressed in [Resolution 4B-23-0305](#), should remain part of the public record. Given the current vacancy in Single Member District 4B04, we offer this submission to

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ensure continuity and transparency around the community's previously articulated concerns and priorities.

Best regards,

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