

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 8B



RE: Letter of Support – BZA Case BZATmp5233 (2430 Ainger Pl SE)

Tuesday April 15, 2025

Dear Members of the Board,
Board of Zoning Adjustment

On behalf of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8B, we are writing to express our full support for the zoning application submitted by Minerva Vision Group regarding the proposed change in use for the property located at 2430 Ainger Place SE from a place of worship to a community center.

During our regularly scheduled monthly public meeting held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, representatives from Minerva Vision Group provided a detailed presentation outlining the organization's vision, mission, and goals for the space. The presentation emphasized their intent to use the facility as a community center to better serve families and individuals in the neighborhood through various supportive services and programs.

Minerva Vision Group's mission and ongoing outreach efforts clearly align with the needs and priorities of our community. Their demonstrated commitment to community engagement, resource access, and neighborhood empowerment received overwhelming support from residents in attendance. It was evident to the Commission that the proposed use would greatly benefit the community and offer a vital hub for collaboration, support, and advancement.

Following the presentation and discussion, Commissioner Keyes, the SMD representative for the affected area, introduced a motion to support the application for a change in zoning use. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7-0, with all seven commissioners present and voting in favor.

In closing, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8B strongly supports this application and commends Minerva Vision Group for exemplifying the kind of community-focused, engaged development that we encourage and expect from all organizations seeking to invest in our neighborhoods. Their inclusive approach and dedication to community-centered outcomes represent the values we uphold as commissioners.

We respectfully urge the Board of Zoning Adjustment to approve this application.

Sincerely,

Joseph Johnson
Chair ANC 8B, Commissioner 8B05

Takema Keyes
Commissioner 8B01