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Ms. Carol J. Mitten, Chairman
Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia
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Dear Ms. Mitten,

Plan Takoma, a long-standing membership organization in Takoma, DC, has been involved with many zoning and planning issues in the past thirty years. Recently members of our group and our community were involved in the planning of a new pool at the Takoma Recreation Center. Because of this process of community input, the DC Department of Parks and Recreation made several major changes to their original design for the new facility, yielding a very satisfactory result. Construction will begin this fall.

We have just learned that changes in the city's zoning regulations are proposed, which we fear might bypass the public input that worked so well for us in designing the pool facility. Specifically, at our June 25 membership meeting, the proposed changes in zoning affecting Public Park and Recreational Uses, Case No. 02-15, were brought to the group's attention. We are concerned that these changes might restrict the public's right to have input into planning for our parks, playgrounds, recreational facilities, and community centers.

We understand that the changes have been "public record" for some time, but without an outreach to ensure that ANCs, community groups, etc. hear about such changes, that public record is meaningless. Therefore, because we have not had time to understand fully the implications of the changes, the members at the meeting voted unanimously that Plan Takoma send this letter, requesting that no final action be taken until we and other civic groups have had a chance to discuss and better understand the effect of the changes.

We request that you include this letter in the record of your hearing of July 1, 2002.

Sincerely,

Carole Falvo
Vice President

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