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Ms. Carol J. Mitten
Chairperson
Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 210
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Zoning Commission Case No. 02-15; Request for Waiver of Rules to Accept into Record Enclosed Recommendation of DDOT and Proposed Standard for Loading Requirements

Dear Ms. Mitten and Members of the Zoning Commission:

As you know, this firm represents the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), petitioner in the above-referenced proceeding. This letter is to request the Commission waive its rules in order to accept into the record (a) the enclosed recommendation from the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) and (b) a loading standard for public community and recreation centers proposed herein by DPR.

The enclosed memorandum from DDOT states that "the provision of a 20-foot service delivery area would be sufficient to meet the routine demand for service delivery."

In addition, you may recall that, by testimony at the public hearing given by Marc Doswell, RA, Devrouax & Purnell on behalf of DFR, petitioner indicated that the proposed text did not contain a loading standard and suggested that a loading standard be adopted [see transcript of public hearing dated July 1, 2002, pages 16-18]. DFR specifically requested that the loading standard be adopted that would require facilities for service/delivery vehicles because there are (i) no cooking facilities, (ii) no heavy or frequent deliveries and (iii) no large truck deliveries.

Based on the enclosed DDOT report and the foregoing, the Department of Parks and Recreation, petitioner herein, recommends that the text be revised as follows:

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EXHIBIT NO.39

Revise section 2201 to add the following:

Uses and Districts	Minimum Number and Size of Loading Berths Required	Minimum Number and Size of Loading Platforms Required	Minimum Number and Size of Service/ Delivery Loading Spaces Required
Public Community Center or Recreation Center in all Districts			
With more than 30,000 ft.² of gross floor area	None	1 @ 100 ft.²	1 @ 20 feet deep

I thank the Commission for its consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Lyle M. Blanchard

Enclosure
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cc: Mr. Neil Albert
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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Transportation Policy and Planning Administration

Memorandum

TO: Andrew Altman, Director
Office of Planning

FROM: Kenneth Laden, Associate Director Rick Rybeck for KL
Transportation Policy and Planning Administration

DATE: July 12, 2002

SUBJECT: Zoning Commission No. 02-15

The Department of Transportation has made a quick review of the Department of Parks and Recreation's (DPR) needs for off-street loading requirements for Public Community and Recreation Centers. Based on DPR program activities and services consisting of office materials and supplies, the provision of a 20-foot service delivery area would be adequate to meet the routine demand for service delivery at the existing facilities.

Cc: Alberto Bastida
Office of Zoning