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Carol Mitten, Chairperson
D.C. Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW, 2nd Floor
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Re: Arthur Capper/Carrollsburg Hope VI Project

Dear Chairperson Mitten and Members of the Zoning Commission:

It has come to my attention, since my July 24 letter to the Commission, that there is some concern regarding the acquisition of private property and the density of development related to the Capper-Carrollsburg HOPE VI redevelopment in Ward 6.

For the record I am in full support of this redevelopment. At a time where there is an ever decreasing supply of affordable housing in the region, the Capper-Carrollsburg HOPE VI seeks to preserve affordable housing in the District of Columbia. While there may be concerns regarding the issues referenced herein, as a matter of public policy the maintenance of affordable housing is paramount.

The District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA) and its development partners are leveraging $35 million of federal funds and another $16 million in District funding with $175 million in private financing to develop a mixed-use and mixed income community. This represents a significant contribution towards the realization of the District's Anacostia Waterfront Initiative. The DCHA has given me every assurance that it will work with current property owners and residents in an equitable manner to bring this development to fruition to everyone's mutual benefit.

Thank you for your attention to my comments.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Ambrose
Councilmember, Ward 6

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