

**Application to Participate As a Party  
Citizens Aware Block Organization  
Ward 4 4-B08  
Contesting Case 05-30**

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- (1) **Yvonne A. Jefferson  
President  
Citizens' Aware Block Organization  
6009 New Hampshire Ave NE  
Washington, D. C. 20011**
- (2) **I, Yvonne A. Jefferson, hereby petition the Office of Zoning for permission to appear before the Board on July 20, at 6:30 p.m. to give testimony in Case 05-30 West Group Development Company, LLC and the Jarvis Company development. I petition to participate as a party representing the Citizens Aware Block Organization.**
- (3) **Citizens Aware Block Organization is against the proposed project development and will appear as an opponent to said project.**
- (4) **Citizens Aware does not intend to call or have legal representation.**
- (5) **Witnesses:**

**Dr. Orlisa Martin  
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Washington DC 20011**

**Mr. Willard Johnson  
6128 New Hampshire Ave NE  
Washington DC 20011**

**Mr. Archie Fritchett  
232 Quackenbos St NE  
Washington DC 20011**

**Mr. Lawrence Martin  
301 Quackenbos St NE  
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**Rabihah A. Mateen  
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Washington DC 20011**

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- **Negative impact on retail services within the city limits due to the already limited availability of retail such as supermarkets, etc. in our area (e.g. one supermarket is due to close in the next two years, the other is 10-15 minute driving distance away**
- **Negative change of the character of our community.**
- **Longer-term problems with the aforementioned when the WG project is considered along with at least six mixed-use housing developments with condos and townhouses either under construction or proposed in our community, particularly along Third and Riggs Rd NE, the Ft. Totten Metro and South Dakota Avenue.**

**Thank you,**



**Yvonne A. Jefferson  
President  
Citizens Aware Block Organization**

**(6) Why we are seeking party status:**

**Citizens Aware members live next to and across the street from the referenced property and proximity of member's homes would be directly affected by any construction on said property. Organization members recently experienced a major road construction project on New Hampshire Avenue, NE between Oneida Street and Eastern Avenue, N.E. and have fresh memories of construction vibrations causing structural damage to surrounding homes and noise disrupting sleep and rest daily and weekends. During the construction period cited, interior and exterior walls cracked, detours to front and back entrances were implemented, and there were car accidents due to sudden changes in traffic patterns to accommodate construction schedules.**

**On a more permanent basis homes in our organization are in close proximity to the proposed property. Our organizational boundaries are:**

- The 6000-6100 blocks of New Hampshire Avenue, N.E. (southside of Peabody Street, N.E. to the south side of Rittenhouse St. NE)**
- The 6000-6100 blocks of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, N.E. (east and west sides of street)**
- The 200-300 blocks of Quackenbos Street, NE**
- The 200-300 blocks of Peabody Street, NE.**

**There has not been a construction project of this magnitude in our neighborhood in a very long time (at least the last 50 years). We would like the Office of Zoning to hear our concerns about a project of this size and what impact it will have on our community as far as traffic, increased resident population, noise, pollution, etc. Some of the homes in our organization are within the required 200 ft radius of residents that must be notified by the developer of his intent. Others are more than 500 ft. away and some fall in between 200 ft and 500 ft away.**

**As homeowners in the area, the Office of Zoning gives us a legal right to address this large project. We seek a party status as we have approached this project as an organization and have been approached by the developer as an organization and have voted "No" to the project as an organization. The negotiations for this project have gone on for about two years, and reports and recollections of events have been reported differently on different occasions. Therefore, we feel that the ability to rebut testimony will be important to these proceedings.**

**Our key concerns include issues such as:**

- Increased population density**
- Increased traffic**
- Increased parking problems**
- Negative impact on community and municipal services such as ambulance, fire, police, mail, schools, sanitation and utilities**

**FAX**

**To: Zoning Commission**

**Attn: Sharon Schellin**

**From: Yvonne A. Jefferson, President  
Citizens Aware**

**Phone: 202 529-3887 H  
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**SUBJ: Petition for Party Status - for  
West Group Proposed Development  
hearing July 20, 2006**

**P.S. Sharon, thanks for all of your  
assistance.**

**Date: July 6, 2006**

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