

Wednesday, July 5, 2006

Ms. Carol J. Mitten
Chair, Zoning Commission
441 4th St, NW
Suite 210
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Planned multi-unit development to be built on the 300 block of H Street, NE

Dear Chairman Mitten:

I am writing in support of the planned unit development proposed by the Steuart Investment Company and Steuart-H Street, LLC for the block bounded by 3rd and 4th Streets and H and I Streets, NE. In addition to apartments and parking, the proposal includes a 45,000 square foot grocery store.

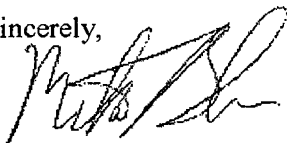
I live on the 800 block of 7th Street (the block between H and I), three blocks from the site of the proposed development. Currently, I have no nearby options for fresh meat, seafood, or produce – I must drive to a full-service grocery store. The prospect of such a store within walking distance of my home is very appealing to me.

Above the store, the proposed development would include more than 200 apartments and 365 parking spaces – more than enough to accommodate the additional residents that the development will bring into the area. And the fact that these new units would be apartments will nicely complement the condominiums and lofts that are being built on the next block over. The combination of the two construction projects will bring necessary new residents to the area, helping to support all of the developing businesses along the H Street Corridor, including new coffee shops, bookstores, restaurants and arts offerings. These businesses are providing necessary growth and revitalization to the area, but they will have the chance to truly thrive with the infusion of additional neighbors to patronize them.

I strongly support a proposal of this nature, as I feel it would be a welcome addition to the western end of H Street. It would provide additional housing opportunities, and the inclusion of a grocery store will help to immediately integrate the development into the neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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