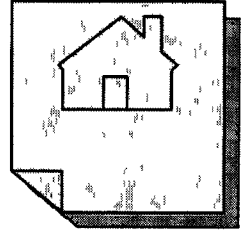


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Dear Zoning Commission Members

We the undersigned are members of the above-named community group. We are writing to urge you not to vote in favor of a proposed change to the zoning regulations that would allow charter schools with 16 or fewer students to locate in residential neighborhoods, with no requirement to provide advance notice to local residents, and with no requirement to allow local residents to have some say in the terms under which the school would operate.

Concerned Homeowners consists of approximately 20 households that organized last year to attempt to exercise our statutory rights to participate in the project review and approval process associated with a 28-unit condominium proposed for 11th and Pennsylvania Avenue S E.

However, the developer was able to build as a matter of right. Thus, he, and the city's key institutions involved in the review process for proposed new buildings in historic districts like ours, were legally able to keep awareness of the intent-to-build out of public notice. That is, until it was too late for us to organize ourselves to effectively lobby our ANC on its final vote on this condo. As far as we're concerned, the rules governing the city's public notification provisions when developers can build as a matter of right make a mockery of the concepts of openness and fairness.

As a result, we are very much against the Commission's intent to change the zoning regulations as outlined in the first paragraph. We feel that modification of the regulations in this manner would extend the concept of "matter of right" to a new level that would grossly interfere in the right of homeowners to be involved in substantive issues affecting their neighborhoods, issues that homeowners can quite rationally assume may affect the quiet enjoyment of their properties, as well as adversely affect the economic values of their homes.

Yours sincerely,

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