

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Transportation Policy and Planning Administration

To: Sharon S. Schellin, Secretary
Zoning Commission

From: Kenneth G. Laden 
Associate Director

Date: January 12, 2007

Subject: Zoning Commission Case No. 06-39 – Catholic University Campus Plan
Amendment and further processing Application (Square 3821)

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has reviewed the application and other material submitted by the applicant to amend its Campus Plan. This memorandum addresses the transportation elements of the proposal.

This proposal calls for the construction of three residential halls in the northeast corner of the University's main campus, which is bounded by Taylor Street on the north, Michigan Avenue on the south, McCormack Road on the east, and Harewood Road on the west.

This application includes only Building 1, which consist of approximately 123,655 square feet and include 405 beds. DDOT notes that the proposed increase in on-campus housing is consistent with the approved Campus Plan for 2002 through 2012. In on comments on the Campus Plan, DDOT recommended that the University increase on-campus housing to accommodate up 80 percent of the undergraduate students to further reduce traffic congestion and parking needs.

DDOT believes the University is moving in the right direction toward providing enough on-campus housing for its student population, a goal the Department shares. With respect to parking, the applicant's transportation consultant indicates that from 490 to 525 parking spaces are vacant during peak demand. We note that the proposed new residence hall will add 14 parking spaces to the current parking supply of 1,942 spaces, for a total of 1956 parking spaces. In our judgment, this amount of parking supply will be more than adequate to meet the daily needs of the campus population, including faculty, staff, students and visitors.

From a transportation standpoint, DDOT has no objection to the proposal.

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