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By Hand

Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia 441 4th Street, N.W., 2nd Floor Washington, D.C. 20001

Attention: Sharon Schellin

Re: ZC Case No. 07-06

(Naun Segovia, 1327 Euclid Street, N.W., sua sponte review, BZA App. No. 17553)

Dear Members of the Commission:

At its April 9, 2007 public meeting, the Commission indicated that it was disposed to reverse the BZA's decision in this case. The applicant was given until May 7, 2007 to respond to the Commission's concerns. For the reasons that follow, on behalf of the applicant, we respectfully request that the Commission defer its decision in this case while the applicant seeks an expedited map amendment for approximately one-balf of Square 2861, where the subject property is located, from R-4 to R-5-B, most probably through the affected ANC:

- 1. It appears that from both the land use element of the current Comp Plan and proposed Comp Plan that the subject property and approximately one half of Square 2861 is appropriate for medium density residential. See Exhibit A. The medium density "burnt-orange" color permits multiple unit housing and mid rise apartment buildings as the predominant uses, including low and moderate density housing, consistent with what is proposed for the subject property by the applicant.
- 2. In fact, from the plat, photos and land use maps, it appears that the subject property and half of Square 2861 should have been rezoned R-5-B. See Exhibit B. Accordingly, we respectfully dissent from the Commission's views that the BZA's decision does harm to the R-4 zone since hypothetically and practically, but not technically, the subject property and surrounding properties are all multi-family and not row house dwellings in a medium (not moderate) density residential setting.

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- 3. The applicant's counsel has met informally with OP staff regarding the proposed amendment, noting that the Commission has not asked OP to brief this <u>sua sponte</u> review. OP will support the proposed map amendment as an "appropriate solution" so long as it is not inconsistent with the Comp Plan and does not constitute spot zoning.
- 4. The Chair of ANC 1B, Dee Hunter, has been contacted and has advised the applicant that the ANC will consider an expedited map amendment for approximately one-half of the block where subject property is located at its June 7, 2007 meeting.

For these reasons, we respectfully request the Commission defer a ruling on this case while the applicant per the ANC seeks an expedited map amendment for approximately one-half of Square 2861 including the subject property. Assuming that the map amendment is in place, the applicant will then ask the Commission to approve a modified version of the design plans for the subject property including any requested minor variances consistent with the R-5-B zone district, as permitted by the Commission's rules of procedure.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Aguglia

cc: Naun Segovia Fred Greene

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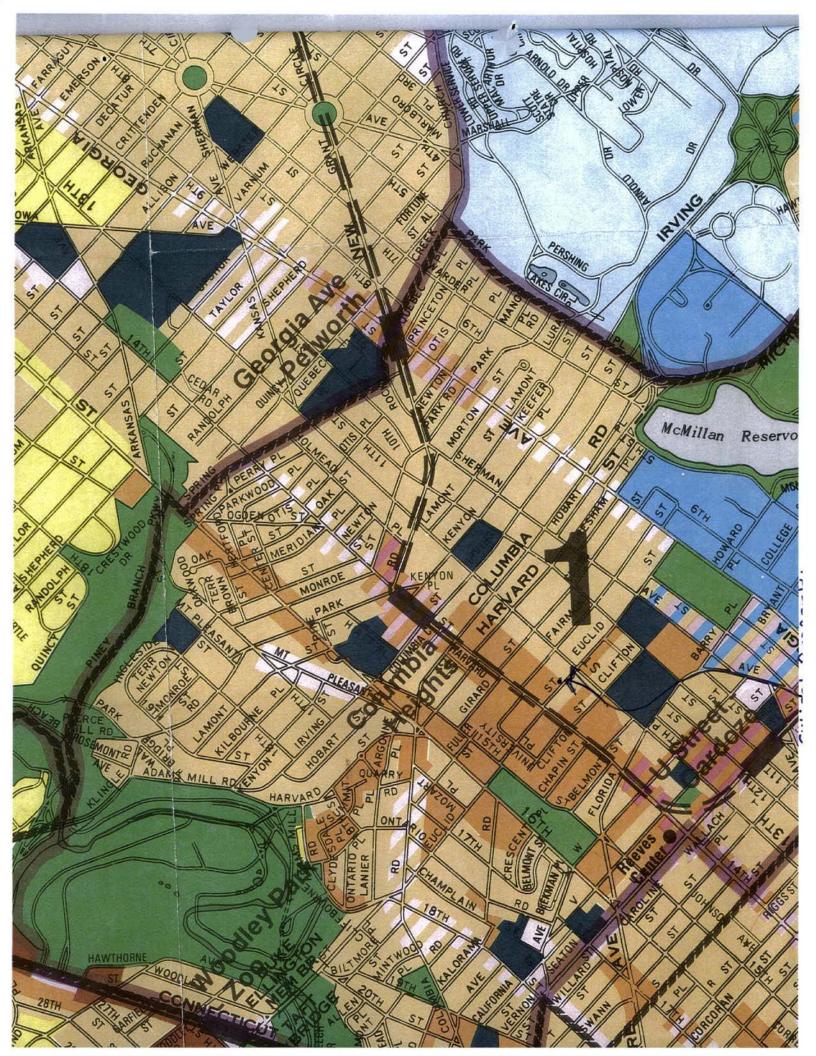
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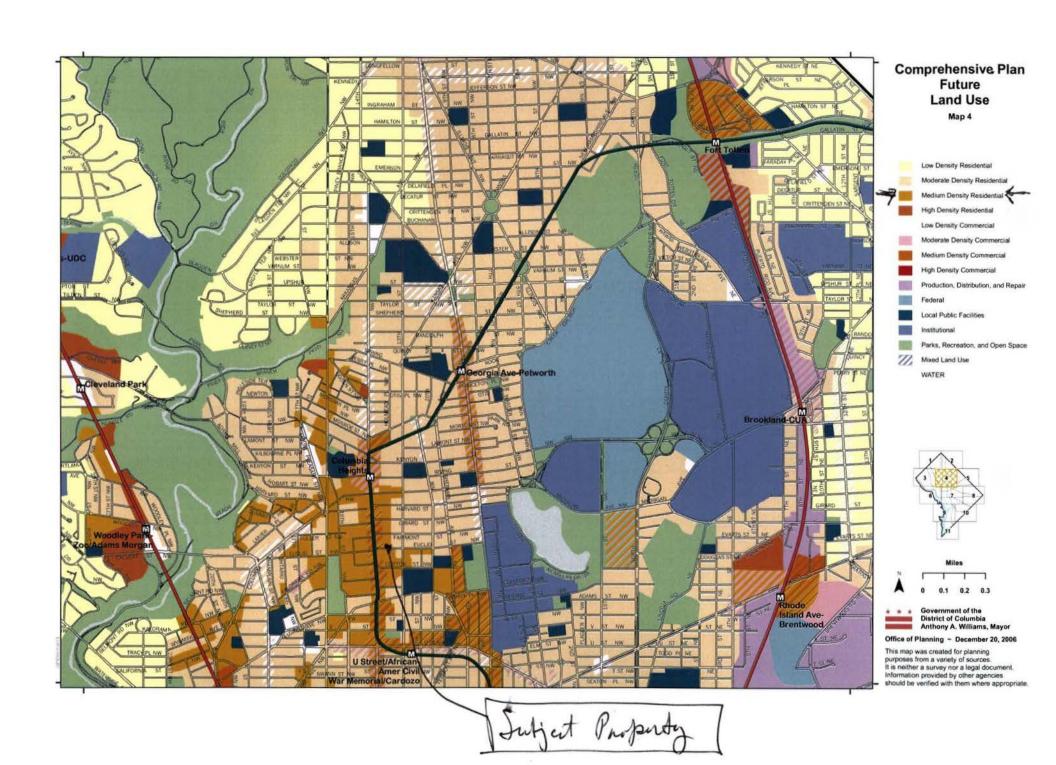
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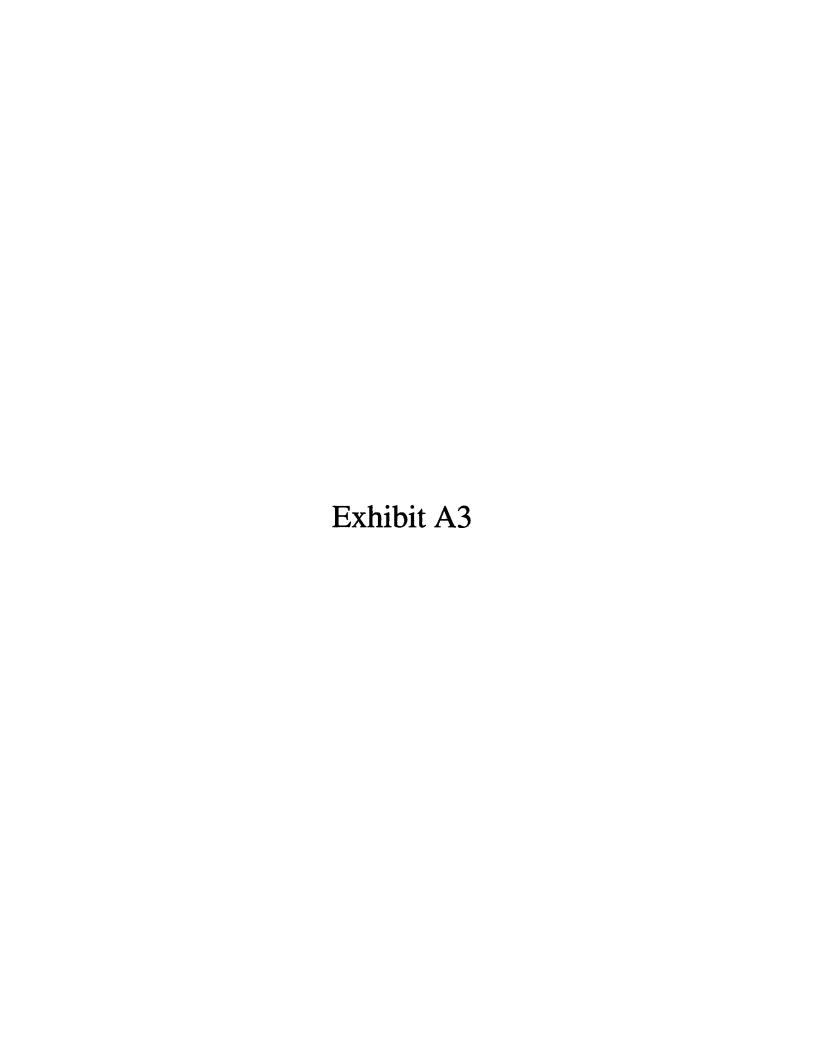
Current Land Use Map	A1	
Future Land Use Map 4	A3	
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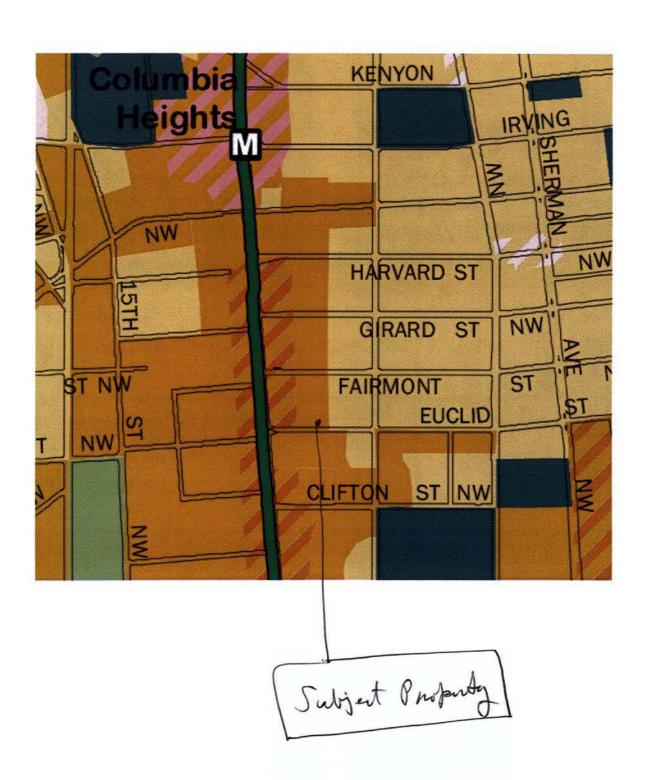


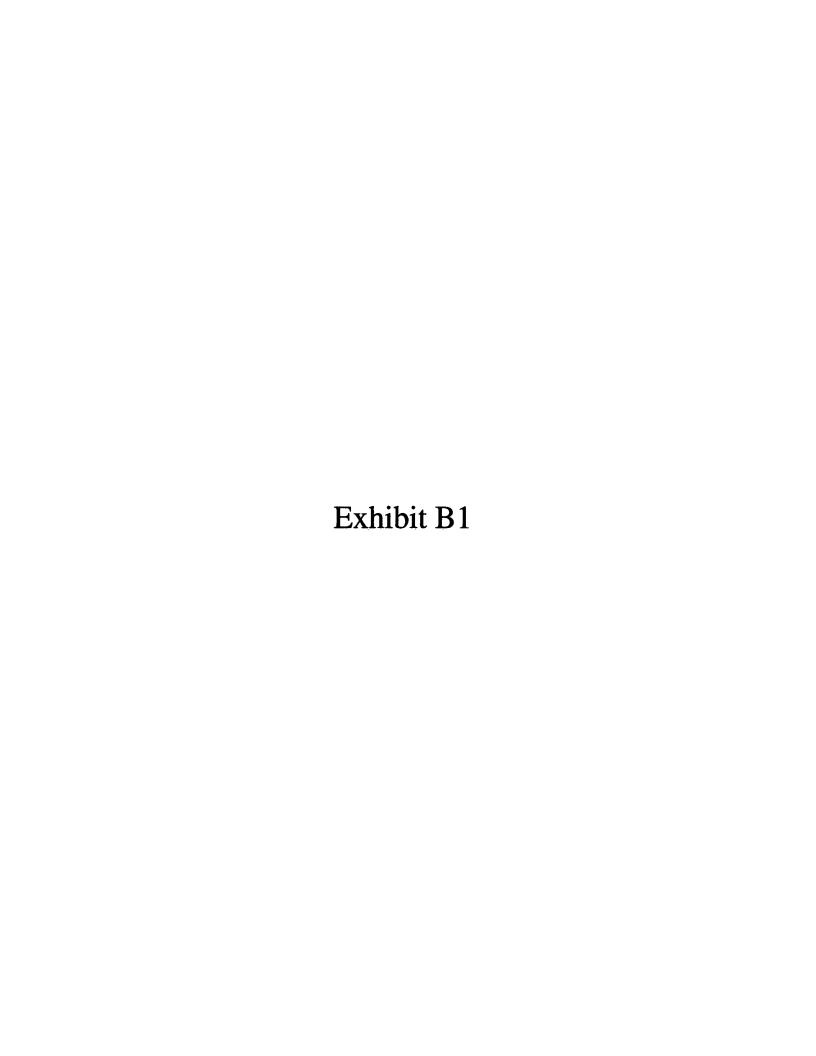




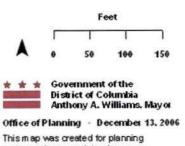




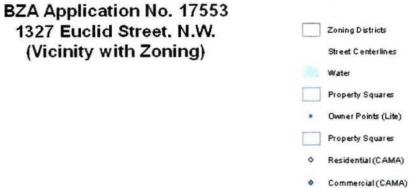


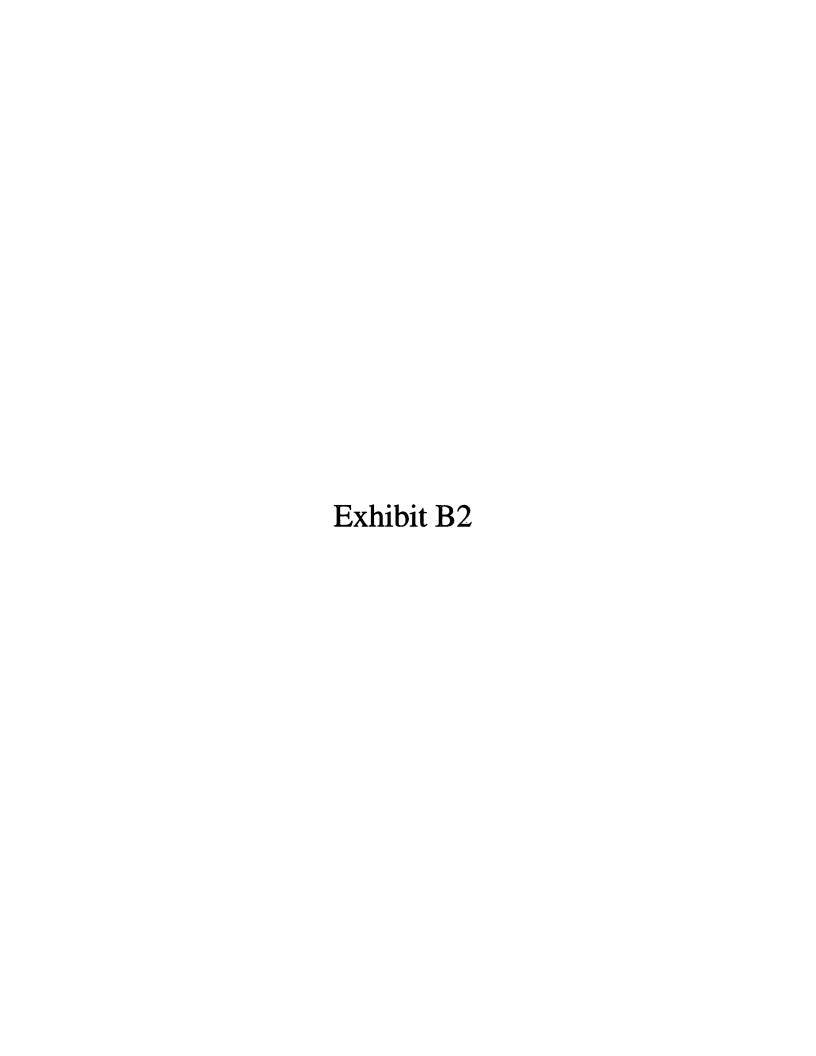






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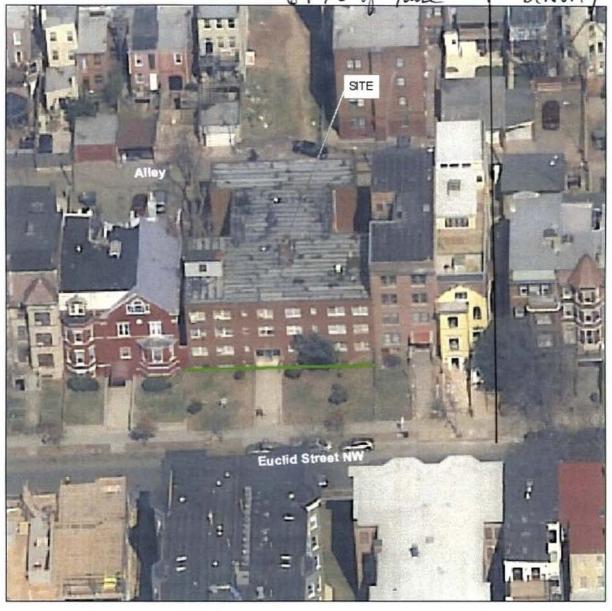
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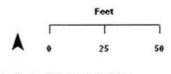
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BZA Application No. 17553 1327 Euclid Street, N.W. (View to the North)

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Owner Points (Lite)

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