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Anthony Hood, Chairperson
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th Street NW, Suite 200-S
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Re: Z.C. Case No. 07-21D

Application for Planned Unit Development (“PUD”) Modification Without a Hearing to Z.C. Order No. 07-21, as amended by Z.C. Orders 07-21A, B, and C (2201 M Street NW (Sq. 0050, Lot 0087))

Dear Chairperson Hood:

Please accept this letter as a Supplemental Statement in Support of the Application of BCORE 2201 M ST NW LLC (hereinafter referred to as BRE Hotels and Resorts and/or the “Applicant”). The Applicant is the owner of the property located at 2201 M Street NW (Sq. 0050, Lot 0087) (the “Property”).

On December 27, 2024, the Applicant served all of its application materials in Z.C. Case No. 07-21D on the Chairperson of ANC 2A and all parties to the original PUD proceeding. Pursuant to 11 DCMR, Subtitle Z, Section 703.12, “[n]o later than thirty (30) days after a request to put a matter on the Consent Calendar for a modification without hearing has been filed and served, any other party may file a response in opposition to or in support of the request.”

ANC 2A Lacks a Quorum and Cannot Take Official Action

Following submission of this Application, undersigned counsel reached out to the Chairperson of ANC 2A. During this conversation, the Chairperson of ANC 2A advised that beginning in January of 2025, ANC 2A will not have a quorum due to changes in the number of ANC 2A commissioners following the recent elections. As such, ANC 2A will not be able to take official action for the indefinite future. Further, there is currently no sitting single member district commissioner for ANC 2A06, where the Property is located. In its initial filing, the Applicant included a letter in support of this Application from the former commissioner (whose term ended in 2024) of ANC 2A06, the single member district where the Property is located.

The Applicant and the WECA Agree to the Condition Regarding Illumination

On January 29, 2025, the West End Citizen’s Association (“WECA”) filed a letter to the record in which it stated that it opposed the Application but would accept a condition “that the existing sign at the top of the building or any replacement in this locale never be illuminated.” As stated in its initial filings, the Applicant has volunteered this same condition and will agree to it.

Conclusion

For all of the reasons discussed in this letter and in the Applicant's prior filings, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Zoning Commission approve this application for a modification without a hearing to Z.C. Order 07-21C related to permitted signage on the existing hotel on the Property.

Sincerely,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of this Application was sent to the below addresses by e-mail on February 10, 2025.



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