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Re: ZC Case # 08-06-3 Comprehensive Zoning Regulations Rewrite: Loading

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Commission:

ANC 6B after reviewing the proposed changes to the required size of loading berths, the ability to share loading areas, and access to loading areas, we are writing to make the following recommendations based on our experiences with buildings in our area:

4. Location of Loading Area

Recommendation 4 – Add a practical difficulty exemption to deal with situations where a loading area can only be located on a public right-of-way or where screening is not possible to prevent it being visible. We are concerned that in some case, such as the recently build Harris Teeter at Pennsylvania and Potomac Avenues, it would have been impossible to not locate the loading zone off of a major street.

5. Loading Access

Recommendation 5 – Require alley access only when the alley is of the appropriated size to accommodate the loading zone. We are concerned that a number of the alleys in our neighborhood that are behind commercial establishments are too narrow to accommodate large trucks and loading zones.

Please note that these recommendations were adopted by the Executive Committee of the ANC on Thursday, August 28, 2008, in order to get them to you in a timely manner. The full ANC will vote on these recommendations at its regularly scheduled September 9th meeting.

We are confident the above recommendations will help the Commission achieve its desired enhancements to the city's loading regulations.

Thank you in advance for taking our recommendations into consideration.

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Very truly yours,

Julie Olson
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Chairperson

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