

*Dear Chairman Hood and Commissioners:*

*I wish to voice my support for modernizing the long-overdue DC zoning code.*

*I want DC to retain racial and economic diversity. Neighborhoods should maintain their flavor and integrity. Traffic should be considered before permitting new apartment sites.*

*I favor a more walkable, sustainable and inclusive city in all the sectors.*

*Update the DC zoning regulations to reduce parking requirements, permit accessory apartments in low density residential neighborhoods, and allow corner stores.*

*While these are modest changes to our woefully outdated 1958 zoning code, they are meaningful ways to make our city more affordable. I urge you to not delay in finalizing the proposed text which is long overdue. We need these reforms urgently in order to respond to the city's continued growth and rising demand for more affordable housing and better transportation choices.*

*These three critical areas of reform to the zoning code will help make DC a more sustainable, walkable, and inclusive city. I urge you to move forward with the long awaited update to the zoning code.*

*Thank you for your consideration.*

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