

Coalition for Inclusive Planning & Language Access

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The undersigned individuals and organizations understand that the DC Zoning Commission has set a date for September 21, 2015 to hear the request that the Zoning Regulations Rewrite (ZRR) as published in the DC Register in May, 2015, be translated in all basic languages (Spanish, Amharic, and Chinese).

We stand with the many DC residents who have already sent in letters to the record asking Zoning Commissioners to support the call for inclusive planning.

We'd like to ask that these fundamental City zoning policies be translated because they will indeed will affect **every** District resident, and ask for additional time -- *four to six months* -- so that limited-English neighbors can adequately review and comment on policies which will affect the City for the next 100+ years.

Further we request that with the extension of time, City officials be directed to engage with limited-English speaking communities and leaders to get meaningful feedback on the proposed new zoning rules.

As signed,

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Megan Walker, DC Language Access Coalition
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Franklin Garcia, elected DC Representative
Eugene Puryear, Justice First
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Daniel del Pielago, Empower DC
Isabel van Isschot, La Clinica Del Pueblo
Oscar Fernandez, Latino Media Collective

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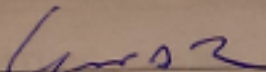
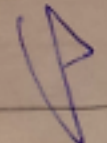
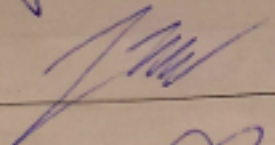
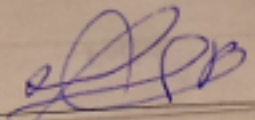
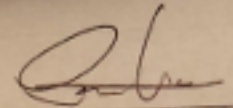
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- DC Statehood Green Party
- Shaw Dupont Citizens Alliance
- Ward 4 Thrives

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Petition to support the Coalition for Inclusive Planning & Language Access

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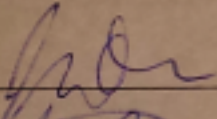
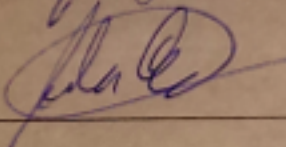
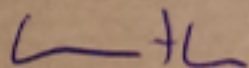
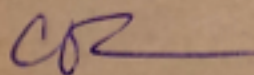
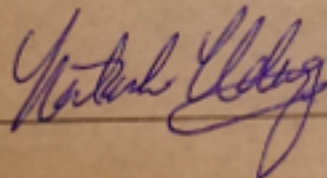
- This critical District planning document (ZRR) can be made accessible for review and response by all District residents who may choose to participate before any final rulemaking decisions are finalized.
- And, we request that DC's Planning and Zoning officials extend the time for review, and use this time extension to specifically reach out to limited-english speaking neighborhoods so those communities may be included and engaged in this important conversation regarding far-reaching civic policy changes which will fundamentally affect all DC neighborhoods for several generations. This request is supported by the DC Comprehensive Plan.

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