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Memorandum

TO: District of Columbia Zoning Commission

FROM: Jennifer Steingasser, Deputy Director *JS*
Development Review and Historic Preservation

DATE: December 29, 2008

SUBJECT: Request for Extension of Campus Plan - Zoning Commission #08-32
Howard University

APPLICATION

Howard University (applicant) has petitioned the Zoning Commission for an eighteen month extension of its UniverCity "20/20" Howard University 1998 Central Campus Plan, adopted by Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) Order 16330, March 29, 1999. Condition # 2 of the Order states that "*Approval of the Central Campus Plan shall be for a period extending to the year 2008 . . .*"

The applicant has stated that the request for the extension is based on the fact that a new president of the university was recently installed for the school year beginning August 2008. The new president has not had ample time to focus on the long range planning issues for the university that needs to be addressed in a comprehensive campus plan. Secondly, the applicant requests additional time to engage the relevant Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANC) and other community groups regarding a new campus plan.

OFFICE OF PLANNING RECOMMENDATION

Based on the applicant's statements, OP believes that it is reasonable to grant an extension of the campus plan for an additional eighteen months and recommends approval of the request.

ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia
CASE NO. 08-32
EXHIBIT NO. 4