

To: DC Zoning Commissioners  
Re: Zoning Commission Case #13-14; McMillan Park PUD  
Date: May 13, 2014

I am asking the Zoning Commission to

# PROTECT MCMILLAN PARK

Don't destroy the open air and grass parkland that currently serves us as a carbon sink, water filter, and an open air refuge that provides views unsurpassed in our City. The historic underground caverns can continue to be used for emergency water security purposes and flooding mitigation, as shown by DC Water and their adaptive re-use project underway right now. And, we cannot stand for the City's short-sighted desire to privatize this twenty-five acres of public land, our McMillan Park.

The City's plans to pave over the parkland and tear out the underground vaulted caverns is

not in the best interest of the citizens of the District. (1) Because giving away public land to a private developer for free or promised <sup>so called</sup> annuities is outrageous.  
The city paid for the park, why give it away for free.

(2) To much traffic - congestion

(3) Make a cultural Arts center and public park for children in the ward (4) Preserve the water purification system and make it a international tourism center for all to enjoy  
Thank you for your consideration of this very important public property



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