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Dear Commissioners,

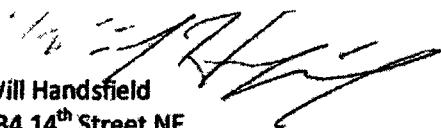
I would like to add my comments to the proposed zoning changes, specifically to the R-4 zoning District.

I live in Capitol Hill in an un-expanded R-4 home outside of the historic district, and on a street where few homes have constructed pop-ups. I would like to expand the living space of my home eventually, and our purchase of this home came with the understanding of the 40 foot height envelope being available to us. My goal is to plan and design an addition that is tasteful and compatible with the street's federal architecture. I oppose any curtailment of the available height and space envelope from the current R-4 guidelines.

I would be appreciative of design and architecture advice from the city that could at the very least describe compatible aesthetic elements, such as materials, height, and architectural style. Rather than restrict current residents' development rights, I would suggest that the city and OZ develop value-added advisory services that could coach residents and developers alike to build in ways that are harmonious with the existing neighborhood. That could come in the form of sketch designs, materials palettes, good examples already built, or other free advice that the city could do at relatively low cost.

In short, please use carrots, not sticks, to achieve desired outcomes for re-development within R-4.

Sincerely,


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