

February 20, 2017

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DC Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia
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Dear Chairman Hood:

Re: Case 14-18A, Mid-City Financial Corp, Brentwood Associates, LP, MCE, Brentwood SC, LLC

I am writing to you and your fellow Commissioners to express my support of the aforementioned development project since my schedule will not permit me to testify on February 23, 2017. I am a longtime resident of Washington, D.C. (Ward 5) and live behind the Brookland Manor development. I also have a Certified Business Enterprise Company located in the District.

My interest in this project is all-encompassing; however, I would like to express my interest specific to the greatly anticipated new development that will replace the old Brentwood Shopping Center and the new townhomes, a mix of affordable housing units, community green and other amenities that will help to bring Rhode Island back to its glory days.

I am also pleased that Mid-City's affordable housing commitments on their private land are consistent with the District's New Communities Initiative. I certainly don't support gentrification, so knowing that those residents who are in good standing with the HUD and Mid-City housing policies will still be able to call Brookland Manor their home is a plus and garners my support of the project.

In closing, this development project will move the efforts of the District forward to redevelop neighborhoods into vibrant mixed-income communities.

Thank you,

