

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT





Office of the Director

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Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210 Washington, DC 20001

Re: Request for Waiver of Zoning Commission Hearing Fee for ZC Case No. 17-10: The Strand Residences

Dear Members of the Commission:

Pursuant to 11-Z DCMR § 1602, the District of Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development ("DHCD") requests that the Zoning Commission ("Commission") waive the portion of the hearing fee for the above-referenced application attributable to the construction of residential units that will be reserved as affordable housing. Based on the project characteristics presented to DHCD, this development would be eligible to receive funding from a recognized District of Columbia or federal government housing subsidy program. DHCD expects that this project will apply for financing through the Low Income Housing Tax Credit ("LIHTC") and/or Housing Production Trust Fund ("HPTF") programs if the Planned Unit Development ("PUD") is approved.

The Planned Unit Development ("PUD") application proposes 78,546 square feet of gross floor area, of which 74,928 square feet of gross floor area (100%) will be reserved as 86 units of affordable housing. All of the 86 affordable units will remain affordable for at least 40 years. Based on the attached assumptions and calculations, DHCD recommends an 85.8% hearing fee reduction of \$4,809. If the recommendation is accepted, the new hearing fee would total \$792.

Because there is not yet an affordability covenant or subsidy contract associated with this property, it is essential that the assumptions upon which this recommended reduction is based be incorporated into the Commission's order as a requirement enforceable by DHCD and the Zoning Administrator, if approved.

Thank you for your considerate attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-442-7210 with any questions or concerns. ρ

for Polly Varaldom Sincerely. Polly Donaldson, Director

Enclosure

Reduction Calculator for Zoning Commission Hearing Fee

Applicant:

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Total Hearing Fee		\$	5,601
Gross Square Footage for Affordable Ho	ousing		74,928
Total Gross Square Footage of Entire Project Percent Affordable			78,546
			95.49
AMI Served	Weight	Units	Weighted Tota
30% AMI	1.2		
40% AMI	1.1		
50% AMI	1		
60% AMI	0.9	86	77.
80% AMI	0.7		
Affordable Units		86	77.
Weighted Total / Total			0.9
Affordability Term (years)			4
Affordability Term / 40			1.0
Recommended Hearing Fee Reduction (A * B * C *D)			4,809
Reduced Hearing Fee		\$	792