

**ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING**

TIME AND PLACE: Monday, January 11, 2021, @ 4:00 p.m.
WebEx or Telephone – Instructions will be provided on
the OZ website by Noon of the Hearing Date¹

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING:

Z.C. Case No. 18-04A (Office of Planning - Text Amendment to Subtitle A to Authorize Construction of Playing Fields and Accessory Structures on Unzoned Land (Parcel 149, Lots 65-66))

THIS CASE IS OF INTEREST TO ANCs 6A, 7D, and 7F

On October 19, 2020, the Office of Planning (“OP”) filed a petition to the Zoning Commission (the “Commission”) proposing the following amendments to the Zoning Regulations (Title 11 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Zoning Regulations of 2016, to which all references herein refer unless otherwise specified):

- Subtitle A, Authority and Applicability - § 209.2.

OP proposed the text amendment to authorize a second restroom to support the playing fields authorized at land adjacent to the Robert F. Kennedy Stadium by the text amendment in Z.C. Case No. 18-04.

At its October 29, 2020 public meeting, the Commission voted to grant OP’s request to set down the proposed text amendment for a public hearing and authorized flexibility for OP to work with the Office of the Attorney General to refine the proposed text and add any conforming language as necessary.

The complete record in the case can be viewed online at the Office of Zoning’s Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS), at <https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Content/Search/Search.aspx>.

PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT

The proposed amendments to the text of the Zoning Regulations are as follows (text to be deleted is marked in ~~bold and strikethrough~~ text; new text is shown in **bold and underline** text).

Amendments to Subtitle A, AUTHORITY AND APPLICABILITY

Section 209, RESTRICTIONS ON UNZONED LAND, of Chapter 2, ADMINISTRATIVE AND ZONING REGULATIONS, of Subtitle A, AUTHORITY AND APPLICABILITY, is proposed to be amended by amending paragraph (c) of § 209.2, to read as follows:

¹ Anyone who wishes to participate in this case but cannot do so via WebEx or telephone, may submit written comments to the record. (See p. 3, *How to participate as a witness – written statements.*)

- 209.1 No building permit or certificate of occupancy shall be issued nor proceeding instituted before the Board of Zoning Adjustment, nor shall any property in private ownership be used for any purpose until after the Zoning Commission has designated zoning for the property, except as may otherwise be authorized by the Zoning Commission as a map or text amendment.
- 209.2 Nothing in this chapter shall prevent ~~either~~ any of the following:
- (a) Minor repairs and alterations to buildings and structures ...
 - (b) A caretaker from residing on property ...
 - (c) Installation and use of playing fields and associated accessory structures to support such fields on the unzoned property comprising and abutting the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium, more specifically known as Parcel 149, Lots 65 and 66, subject to the following:
 - (i) ~~Three (3)~~ Four (4) accessory structures shall be permitted: a visitor building, a storage building, and two (2) restroom facilities. Each permitted accessory structure shall not exceed a maximum height of twenty feet (20 ft.) and one (1) story, and a maximum gross floor area of one thousand square feet (1,000 sq. ft.);
 - (ii) Three (3) shade structures ...²
 - (iii) In addition to the ~~three~~ four (4) accessory structures listed in subparagraph ~~209.2(e)(i)~~ of this paragraph, and the shade structures listed in subparagraph ~~209.2(e)(ii)~~ of this paragraph, an unenclosed pavilion shall be permitted and used provided the Zoning Commission finds that said structure, as designed, meets the standard of Subtitle X, Chapter 6, other than Subtitle X § 604.8. The pavilion shall be either covered or uncovered, and ~~shall~~ shall have a footprint no greater than ~~a~~ six thousand square feet (6,000 sq. ft.) ~~footprint~~. If covered, a canopy no greater than thirty feet (30 ft.) in height may be installed.

Proposed amendments to the Zoning Regulations of the District of Columbia are authorized pursuant to the Zoning Act of June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 797, as amended; D.C. Official Code § 6-641.01, *et seq.* (2018 Repl.)).

² The use of this and other ellipses indicate that other provisions exist in the subsection being amended and that the omission of the provisions does not signify an intent to repeal.

This public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the rulemaking case provisions of Subtitle Z, Chapter 5, as well as the text adopted by the Commission on October 25, 2020, in Z.C. Case No. 20-11, as published in the Notice of Final Rulemaking, published in the October 30, 2020, *D.C. Register*.

How to participate as a witness – oral presentation

Interested persons or representatives of organizations may be heard at the virtual public hearing. All individuals, organizations, or associations wishing to testify in this case are **strongly encouraged to sign up to testify at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing** on OZ’s website at <https://dcoz.dc.gov/> or by calling Donna Hanousek at (202) 727-0789 in order to ensure the success of the new virtual public hearing procedures.

The Commission also requests that all witnesses prepare their testimony in writing, submit the written testimony prior to giving statements, and limit oral presentations to summaries of the most important points. The Commission must base its decision on the record before them. Therefore, it is **required that all written testimony be submitted to the record at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing, unless approved by the Commission upon request to be introduced at the public hearing.** The following maximum time limits for oral testimony shall be adhered to and no time may be ceded:

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| 1. | Organizations | 5 minutes each |
| 2. | Individuals | 3 minutes each |

How to participate as a witness – written statements

Written statements, in lieu of personal appearances or oral presentation, may be submitted for inclusion in the record, **provided that all written comments be submitted to the record at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing, unless approved by the Commission upon request to be introduced at the public hearing.** The public is encouraged to submit written testimony through the Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS) at <https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Login.aspx>; however, written statements may also be submitted by e-mail to zcsubmissions@dc.gov. Please include the case number on your submission. If you are unable to use either of these means of submission, please contact Donna Hanousek at (202) 727-0789 for further assistance.

“Great weight” to written report of ANC

Subtitle Z § 505.1 provides that the written report of an affected ANC shall be given great weight if received at any time prior to the date of a Commission meeting to consider final action, including any continuation thereof on the application, and sets forth the information that the report must contain. Pursuant to Subtitle Z § 505.2, an ANC that wishes to participate in the hearing must file a written report at least seven days in advance of the public hearing and provide the name of the person who is authorized by the ANC to represent it at the hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ZONING AT (202) 727-6311.

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OF COLUMBIA, BY SARA A. BARDIN, DIRECTOR, AND BY SHARON S. SCHELLIN, SECRETARY TO THE ZONING COMMISSION.

Do you need assistance to participate? If you need special accommodations or need language assistance services (translation or interpretation), please contact Zee Hill at (202) 727-0312 or Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov five days in advance of the meeting. These services will be provided free of charge.

¿Necesita ayuda para participar? Si tiene necesidades especiales o si necesita servicios de ayuda en su idioma (de traducción o interpretación), por favor comuníquese con Zee Hill llamando al (202) 727-0312 o escribiendo a Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov cinco días antes de la sesión. Estos servicios serán proporcionados sin costo alguno.

Avez-vous besoin d'assistance pour pouvoir participer ? Si vous avez besoin d'aménagements spéciaux ou d'une aide linguistique (traduction ou interprétation), veuillez contacter Zee Hill au (202) 727-0312 ou à Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov cinq jours avant la réunion. Ces services vous seront fournis gratuitement.

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您需要有人帮助参加活动吗? 如果您需要特殊便利设施或语言协助服务(翻译或口译),请在见面之前提前五天与 Zee Hill 联系。电话号码 (202) 727-0312, 电子邮件 Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov 这些是免费提供的服务。

Quý vị có cần trợ giúp gì để tham gia không? Nếu quý vị cần thu xếp đặc biệt hoặc trợ giúp về ngôn ngữ (biên dịch hoặc thông dịch) xin vui lòng liên hệ với Zee Hill tại (202) 727-0312 hoặc Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov trước năm ngày. Các dịch vụ này hoàn toàn miễn phí.

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