



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6E
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November 20, 2019

Mr. Anthony J. Hood
Chairman
D.C. Zoning Commission
D.C. Office of Zoning
441 Fourth Street N.W., Suite 200S
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: **Zoning Commission Case 19-20 – Voluntary Design Review – ANC 6E
Resolution in Support**

Dear Chairman Hood and Zoning Commissioners:

On November 5, 2019, at a duly-noticed, regularly-scheduled monthly meeting of ANC 6E, with a quorum of commissioners (4 commissioners required for a quorum) and the public present, ANC 6E received a presentation from Georgetown University, on behalf of the property owner President and Directors of Gonzaga College (the “University”) regarding its proposed Voluntary Design Review application for the property located at 55 H Street NW (Square 622, Lot 93). The Applicant is seeking approval under Subtitle X §601.2 and §601.3 for Voluntary Design Review, including flexibility to permit additional height for the proposed project above what is permitted as a matter-of-right in the zone, as well as flexibility from the rear yard and side yard requirements. As part of the application, the University is also requesting special exception relief from Subtitle C §701.5 from the required number of parking spaces. ANC 6E voted unanimously, 7-0-0, to support this application and submit this letter of support to the Commission, with the following stipulations:

- 1) The University will explore the possibility of either expanding the existing Capital Bikeshare located on North Capitol Street at G Place or providing a new Capital Bikeshare location near the proposed project, subject to coordination with the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”);
- 2) The University will work with DDOT to consider the feasibility of providing a dedicated pick up and drop off zone along H Street; and
- 3) Subject to reasonable, very limited exceptions, student residents shall not be permitted to bring a car to the proposed project. If the University determines that a student resident of the proposed project requires a vehicle, the University will work with the student to

identify a parking space for that student within nearby University-controlled parking or a nearby commercial parking facility.

The Application proposes to develop a site currently used as a surface parking lot with an 11-story student residence hall, containing significant amenity space, and a ground floor retail component. ANC 6E commends the proposed project's thoughtful and exemplary design. ANC 6E is further impressed with the proposed project's laudable sustainable and green features, including photovoltaic panels. ANC 6E believes that the proposed project will benefit our community and will create a more vibrant and safer pedestrian experience along H Street.

Therefore, ANC 6E is in support of the proposed project.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of ANC 6E, and we hope that you will promptly approve this application.

Respectfully,

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Alexander T. Marriott
Chair, ANC 6E