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Dear Commissioners;

Zoning case 23-25 was set down improperly; Chevy Chase residents deserve their rights to a contested case.

We oppose giving private developers building rights on public lands that are actively in public use. To declare such lands "surplus" is not only illogical but dishonest.

We are opposed to an RFP process that was badly flawed, with excessive building height and lot coverage. It eliminates the ball court, children's play area, and on-site parking.

The inclusion of commercial use of the space would be detrimental to neighborhood small businesses. It is clear that what is proposed will NOT result in affordable or low-cost housing; there are other and better potential sites for affordable housing in the neighborhood.

History has shown that, once this public land has been turned over to private developers, they will charge high rents and make big profits.

Worst of all, our public land -the library and the community center - is consistently and fully used by our diverse community. If cynically given away in this fashion it can never be reclaimed.

Yours truly,

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