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Dear Zoning Commission:

My husband and I are longtime residents of the District of Columbia, currently living in Chevy Chase just one block from the Community Center/Library property which is proposed for rezoning. We are outraged that the Commission acted to set down Zoning Case 23-25 improperly as a rulemaking rather than contested case. DC regulations are very clear that Chevy Chase residents have the right to a contested case so that we can present evidence and cross-examine witnesses and have the right to appeal the zoning decision.

The Zoning Commission took this action despite testimony from attorney Edward Hanlon who demonstrated clearly that regulations stipulate that the hearing must be conducted as contested, not as rulemaking; despite the concerns of at least one Zoning Commissioner who agreed with that testimony; despite the Resolution passed by ANC 3/4G demanding a contested hearing; and despite the pleas of local residents including those living adjacent to the Chevy Chase Commons property, a prized public resource, that the hearing be conducted as a contested case.

We the citizens of Washington, DC have the right to be heard in this matter.

We demand that this decision be reversed and that Zoning Case 23-25 be conducted as a contested case, not rulemaking, in accordance with DC law and regulation.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Le Dain

