
Letter opposing ZC 24-11

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Hi DC Zoning Commission and other decision makers,

I'm writing as a Ward 5 resident who frequently passes through the Montana Triangle area to let you know why I oppose ZC 24-11, a proposal to rezone part of New York Avenue between Montana and Bladensburg to industrial use.

Rezoning this area for industrial use is a terrible idea that will reverse many years of efforts to make this area more desirable, walkable, bikeable, and safe. This key neighborhood is a crucial connection between growing neighborhoods like Union Market, Ivy City, Arboretum/Gateway, Woodridge, Brookland and Edgewood.

In Ward 5, we are tired of the city dumping truck-heavy, pollution-prone uses onto communities that are already overburdened. We want trees, parks, and safe streets for all modes of transportation. We want clean air, less congestion, and better ways of traveling that don't put our residents at risk. We want more housing, especially housing for all income levels! Rezoning this area to industrial use compromises all of this.

I join ANCs 5C and 5D, the Arboretum Community Association, the Woodridge Civic Association, and many other individuals to oppose this rezoning. Please, it's time to use the land already zoned for industrial use more effectively before you take this step. Don't set Ward 5 back - help us move into the future together.

Sincerely,
Amanda Dykema
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