

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE A ZONING APPLICATION
TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ZONING COMMISSION
FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW CAMPUS PLAN

August 30, 2024

Indiana University Foundation, Inc. (“Indiana University”) now gives notice of its intent to file an application with the District of Columbia Zoning Commission seeking approval for a campus plan to establish a new university use within the existing building located at 1619 Massachusetts Avenue NW (Square 181, Lot 850) (the “Property”). In 1986, the Board of Zoning Adjustment approved a special exception and campus plan for the Johns Hopkins University to establish a university use on the Property, together with the property located at 1740 Massachusetts Avenue NW (BZA Case No. 14387). Indiana University now seeks to purchase the Property from Johns Hopkins University and establish a new campus plan for its use.

The Property is located on the north side of Massachusetts Avenue NW between 16th and 17th Streets. The Property is zoned to the Mixed-Use (MU-2/DC) zoning district and is located in the High Density Residential category on the Future Land Use Map of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan.

Indiana University proposes to establish a new Washington, DC campus within the existing eight-story building on the Property (the “Campus”). The Campus will include the adaptive reuse of the existing building, with no exterior expansion proposed. The interior of the building will be improved to accommodate classrooms, offices, and student housing. The student housing will be located on-site, and will provide housing for students of Indiana University’s Washington-based programs. The Campus will maintain the building’s current gross floor area and lot occupancy, and no changes will be made to the exterior design or height of the building. All improvements will be contained within the existing structure.

The Property, currently included within the existing Johns Hopkins University Campus Plan, was initially approved under BZA Order No. 14387, dated June 11, 1986, which covered two sites: 1619 Massachusetts Ave NW and 1740 Massachusetts Ave NW. Johns Hopkins University will submit a separate application for an amendment to its campus plan to remove this Property from its boundaries. Indiana University’s application pertains solely to the establishment of a new campus plan for Indiana University. The Property’s inclusion in a new campus plan will ensure its continued use as a university facility, consistent with its current use, while allowing for the introduction of dormitories and other academic resources that are crucial to supporting Indiana University’s growing programs in the region.

Representatives of Indiana University will engage with the leadership of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B (ANC 2B) and residents and stakeholders in the community regarding the proposed campus plan. In accordance with Subtitle Z, Sections 302.6-8 of the D.C. Zoning Regulations, Indiana University intends to present the project at an upcoming ANC 2B meeting. Indiana University is available to meet with interested groups and individuals to discuss the proposed campus plan and address any concerns related to the proposed application.

Indiana University’s new campus plan application will be filed with the District of Columbia Zoning Commission pursuant to Subtitle Z, Section 302 of the D.C. Zoning Regulations, not less than

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forty-five (45) days from the date of this Notice, which is given pursuant to Subtitle Z, Section 302.6 of the Zoning Regulations. The project architect is SmithGroup. Land use counsel is Venable LLP. If you require additional information regarding this matter, please contact Zachary Williams, Venable LLP, at 202-344-4369 or by e-mail at zgwilliams@venable.com.