# ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TIME AND PLACE: September 29, 2025 @ 4:00 p.m.

Via WebEx: <a href="https://dcoz.dc.gov/ZC24-24">https://dcoz.dc.gov/ZC24-24</a> (to participate & watch) Via Telephone: 1-650-479-3208 Access code: 2314 775 0688 (audio

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Via YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/c/DCOfficeofZoning (to watch)

Instructions: https://dcoz.dc.gov/release/virtual-public-hearings

Witness Sign Up: https://dcoz.dc.gov/service/sign-testify

#### FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING:

CASE NO. 24-24 ("The Heritage" Consolidated Planned Unit Development and Related Map Amendment from RF-1 to MU-9 at Parcel 0129; Lot 0115 [1201 New York Avenue, N.E.])

## **THIS CASE IS OF INTEREST TO ANC 5D**

### **Oral and Written Testimony**

- All who wish to testify in this case are **strongly encouraged** to sign up to do so **at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing** on OZ's website indicated above. Also, see below: *How to participate as a witness oral statements*. **On the day of the hearing by 3:00 p.m.**, call 202-727-0789 to sign up to testify.
- All written comments and/or testimony <u>must</u> be submitted to the record at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing see below: *How to participate as a witness written statements*.

On December 18, 2024, D.C. Department of General Services (the "Applicant") filed an application (the "Application") with the Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia ("Commission") for the subject consolidated planned unit development and related zoning map amendment from the RF-1 zone to the MU-9A zone to construct a new emergency shelter for men experiencing homelessness in Washington, DC to be located at 1201 New York Avenue, N.E. (the "Property"). The Applicant is requesting approval by the Commission pursuant to Subtitle Z, Chapter 3 of the Zoning Regulations (Title 11, Zoning Regulations of 2016 in the D.C. Municipal Regulations).

The Applicant proposes to construct a new emergency shelter building for men experiencing homelessness that will include five distinct programs: low barrier shelter housing, work program housing, senior housing, respite, and hypothermia housing. To make space for the Project, the Applicant proposes to move the Animal Shelter to an off-site location and then demolish the Animal Shelter Building. Overall, the Project will provide 407 permanent beds as well as space for approximately 80-100 cots to serve hypothermia shelter needs. The Project will also provide a medical clinic, administrative space, central dining, educational space, and recreational space.

The Office of Planning filed a setdown report on April 14, 2025 recommending that the Commission set the Application down for a public hearing. The OP setdown report states that the proposal would not be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan, including when viewed through a racial equity lens. At the public meeting on April 24, 2025, the Commission set down the

Application for public hearing. The Applicant filed its prehearing statement on May 12, 2025.

This public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the contested case provisions of Subtitle Z, Chapter 4 of the Zoning Regulations.

### How to participate as a witness – oral presentation

Interested persons or representatives of organizations may be heard at the virtual public hearing. All individuals, organizations, or associations wishing to testify in this case are **strongly encouraged to sign up to testify at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing** on OZ's website at https://dcoz.dc.gov/ or by calling Ella Ackerman at (202) 727-0789 in order to ensure the success of the new virtual public hearing procedures.

The Commission also requests that all witnesses prepare their testimony in writing, submit the written testimony prior to giving statements, and limit oral presentations to summaries of the most important points. The Commission must base its decision on the record before them. Therefore, all written comments and/or testimony must be submitted to the record at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing. The following maximum time limits for oral testimony shall be adhered to and no time may be ceded:

- 1. Applicant and parties in support 60 minutes collectively
- 2. Parties in opposition 60 minutes collectively
- 3. Organizations 5 minutes each
- 4. Individuals 3 minutes each

Pursuant to Subtitle Z § 408.4, the Commission may increase or decrease the time allowed above, in which case, the presiding officer shall ensure reasonable balance in the allocation of time between proponents and opponents.

## How to participate as a witness – written statements

Written statements, in lieu of personal appearances or oral presentation, may be submitted for inclusion in the record. The public is encouraged to submit written testimony through the Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS) at https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Login.aspx; however, written statements may also be submitted by e-mail to zcsubmissions@dc.gov. Please include the case number on your submission. If you are unable to use either of these means of submission, please contact Ella Ackerman at (202) 727-0789 for further assistance.

#### How to participate as a party.

Any person who desires to participate as a party in this case must so request and must comply with the provisions of Subtitle Z § 404.1.

A party has the right to cross-examine witnesses, to submit proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, to receive a copy of the written decision of the Commission, and to exercise the other rights of parties as specified in the Zoning Regulations. If you are still unsure of what it means to participate as a party and would like more information on this, please contact OZ at dcoz@dc.gov or at (202) 727-6311.

Except for an affected ANC, any person who desires to participate as a party in this case must clearly demonstrate that the person's interests would likely be more significantly, distinctly, or uniquely affected by the proposed zoning action than other persons in the general public. Persons seeking party status shall file with the Commission, not less than 14 days prior to the date set for the hearing, or 14 days prior to a scheduled public meeting if seeking advanced party status consideration, a Form 140 – Party Status Application, a copy of which may be downloaded from OZ's website at: https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Help/Forms.html.

## "Great weight" to written report of ANC

Subtitle Z § 406.2 provides that the written report of an affected ANC shall be given great weight if received at any time prior to the date of a Commission meeting to consider final action, including any continuation thereof on the application, and sets forth the information that the report must contain. Pursuant to Subtitle Z § 406.3, an ANC that wishes to participate in the hearing must file a written report at least seven days in advance of the public hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ZONING AT (202) 727-6311.

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**Do you need assistance to participate?** If you need special accommodations or need language assistance services (translation or interpretation), please contact Zee Hill at (202) 727-0312 or <u>Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov</u> five days in advance of the meeting. These services will be provided free of charge.

¿Necesita ayuda para participar? Si tiene necesidades especiales o si necesita servicios de ayuda en su idioma (de traducción o interpretación), por favor comuníquese con Zee Hill llamando al (202) 727-0312 o escribiendo a Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov cinco días antes de la sesión. Estos servicios serán proporcionados sin costo alguno.

Avez-vous besoin d'assistance pour pouvoir participer? Si vous avez besoin d'aménagements spéciaux ou d'une aide linguistique (traduction ou interprétation), veuillez contacter Zee Hill au (202) 727-0312 ou à Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov cinq jours avant la réunion. Ces services vous seront fournis gratuitement.

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