
Letter in Support of ZC Case No. 25-06

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Members of the Zoning Commission,

I live in Cardozo/Columbia Heights, and in both my neighborhood and surrounding neighborhoods like Logan Circle, Dupont, and Adams Morgan, areas rich in amenities are half taken up by space for parking or little-used setbacks on an alley. Many would love to live in modestly sized homes in these desirable neighborhoods if it were possible, which would only make them more vibrant.

I strongly support the proposed text amendment in ZC-25-06. Alley housing can help address affordability, increase neighborhood safety through active usage, and enhance community character.

But DC is in a housing crisis, and we urgently need to build more homes. To help support housing creation, the Zoning Commission should consider:

1. Eliminating expensive parking mandates for alley homes.
2. Aligning unit limits with the limits of their zones.
3. Aligning the height limits of alley homes with their zones.

These changes will help us build a more inclusive, vibrant, and affordable DC.

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