

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Zoning Commission



September 15, 2025

Via E-Mail:

Leila M. Jackson Batties, Esq.
Christopher S. Cohen, Esq.
Holland and Knight, LLP.

Re: Z.C. Case No. 25-16 (McDonalds Corporation – Text Amendment to Subtitle U)

Dear Leila and Christopher:

The Office of Zoning has received and reviewed the request for the petition cited above, which requests:

Review and approval of a text amendment from pursuant to Subtitle X, Chapter 13, and Subtitle Z § 305 of the Zoning Regulations. The Petition proposes several text amendments to Subtitle U of the Zoning Regulations that would permit existing drive-throughs to be continued with newly constructed, modernized or expanded fast-food establishments, subject to special exception approval by the Board of Zoning Adjustment. The amendments would apply in specified MU and PDR zones where such establishments already operate, ensuring case-by-case review and enforceable, site-specific conditions that align operations with neighborhood context and the Comprehensive Plan.

The Office of Zoning has determined that your petition is complete, that it meets the basic filing requirements, and that the appropriate filing fee has been paid. This petition has therefore been accepted for processing.

The Office of Planning (OP) will further process this petition prior to it being presented to the Zoning Commission. The initial consideration given to the petition concerns whether the Commission should set the case down for a public hearing. OP will make a recommendation on that issue to the Zoning Commission at one of its monthly meetings. The Zoning Commission generally meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month (with some exceptions) in the Office of Zoning Hearing Room, Suite 220-S, 441 4th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001.

Please contact this office to determine the meeting at which the Commission will consider your filing. If you have any questions, please call the Office of Zoning on (202) 727-6311.

Sincerely,

Ella Ackerman for
Sharon S. Schellin
Secretary to the Zoning Commission
Office of Zoning
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