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Re: Case 96-3/89-1. Buzzard Point

Dear Commission Members:

Due to a misunderstanding, I was not able to attend the Zoning Commission hearing last Thursday on Case 96-3/89-1, Buzzard Point. I respectful request that you include the following comments as part of the official record on that case.

ANC 6B has been closely monitoring developments in the near Southeast/Buzzard Point for some time. The ANC's Planning and Zoning Committee has maintained liaison with the Office of Planning concerning OP's most review of the area. When OP's most recommendations in this case became available, the Committee considered them at its monthly meeting in July and submitted its analysis to the full Commission.

The full Commission met on July 18, 2001. The meeting was properly noticed. Nine members were present, with seven constituting a quorum By a vote of 7-1 with one Commissioner not voting, the Commission voted to submit the following advice to you:

ANC 6B recommends that the Zoning Commission should adopt the BP application with the modifications set out in OP's memo and with two additional considerations: 1) the design standards for M Street should be enhanced and given greater specificity, and 2) the area covered by the standards should be extended from 4th Street to 7th Street.

The Commission agrees with OP that unless this action is taken, matter of right developments could preempt more desirable and coherent redevelopment of the area. This is also why the Commission supports articulating the standards in more detail and applying to a portion of M Street beyond the intersection at 4th.

Sincerely yours,

Kenan P. Jarboe
Chairperson

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