

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

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Mr. Frederick Hill Chairperson Board of Zoning Adjustment 441 4th Street NW, Suite 210S Washington, DC 20001 bzasubmissions@dc.gov

RE: Board of Zoning Adjustment Application for 3608 S Street NW (BZA #19672)

Dear Chairperson Hill,

On January 3, 2018 ANC 2E held its regularly scheduled public meeting, which was properly noticed and attended by six commissioners, constituting a quorum. At this meeting the Commission adopted the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-0) with regard to the above-referenced matter:

ANC 2E has reviewed the subject application for a special exception to permit the construction of an addition that would, among other things, extend 22 feet off the rear of the existing structure and add a third story. ANC 2E has the following concerns:

- 1. The proposed addition would include a balcony at the rear of the second floor, a deck at the rear of the third floor, and a deck on the roof of the new third floor. ANC 2E believes that the three design elements would unduly compromise the privacy of use and enjoyment of neighboring properties in violation of 5201.3(b) of the Zoning Code and should not be permitted.
- 2. ANC 2E does not have the ability to confirm the adequacy of the shadow studies offered by the applicant and, therefore, is concerned that the proposed addition might unduly affect the light available to neighboring properties in violation of 5201.3(a) of the Zoning Code.
- 3. ANC 2E is concerned that the addition of a third story to the front facade of the house might substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and patterns of the houses on the south side of the 3600 block of S Street NW in violation of 5201.3(c) of the Zoning Code.

COMMISSIONERS:

With the above as background, ANC 2E recommends that the application for a special exception to permit the construction of a third story addition and a 22-foot addition to the rear of the building, including a second floor balcony, a third floor deck, and a roof deck, be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Gibbons

Chair, ANC 2E