



District of Columbia Government
 Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
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February 9, 2007

Ms. Carol J. Mitten
 Chair
 Zoning Commission
 441 4th Street, NW Suite 210 South
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#07-03

Dear Ms. Mitten:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on February 8, 2007, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that the Zoning Commission immediately set down, on an emergency basis, a proposed text amendment from the Office of Planning that seeks to clarify the intent of section 401.1 of 11 DCMR regarding minimum lot dimensions. The speediest possible consideration of this matter is appropriate and necessary.

We also ask that the Zoning Commission act, so as to prevent harm to R-4 districts throughout the city, by staying the recent decision of the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) in BZA case #17532, while the Commission considers the proposed amendment to section 401.1 of 11 DCMR.

Failure to stay the BZA's decision will allow a complicating and possibly binding precedent. If the BZA decision is not temporarily stayed or explicitly subsumed into the Commission's consideration of 401.1, the city may incur great expense through lawsuits, based upon the precedent, that would have to be defended by the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs.

Failure to subsume BZA case #17526 into the Commission's consideration may bring about actions and precedents that are exactly contrary to the policy change it proposes to consider, the change sought by the Office of Planning in its Memorandum to the Zoning Commission of February 2, 2007.

On behalf of ANC Commission 6A,

David Holmes
 Vice Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

CC: Harriet Tregoning, Director, Office of Planning

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