Case 13-14

Testimony against Rezoning the 25-acre McMillan Park for CR and C-3-C zoning.

My name is Cheryl Wagner and I have lived across the street from McMillan park for 25 years. I have biked to work in downtown DC for 10 years in increasily heavy traffic on North Capitol Street. The planned VMP development for the McMillan site will bring an additional 6,000 cars per day to this residential area which has no subway or streetcar service and has narrow residential streets that barely accommodate traffic for 3 hospitals on Michigan Avenue (across from McMillan). This large planned development featuring 1,000's of new housing units, 100,000 sq feet of retail and extensive office space is being forced onto a quiet residential community that does not have the transportation capacity or parking resources to accommodate it. While developers love to develop "car-free" communities, such places need public transportation and bike lanes. There won't be space for bike lanes in this new development or on North Capitol Street. This beautiful, historic site was originally a park in the early 1900's and could be a tremendous asset as a place of recreation for Northeast Washington. I urge you to disapprove turning McMillan into a dense metropolis in this quiet residential neighborhood.

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