



March 16, 2015

ANTHONY J HOOD
CHAIRPERSON
ZONING COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
441 4TH ST NW STE 210S
WASHINGTON DC 20001

Dear Chairperson Hood:

Regarding Zoning Commission Case No 14-18, Mid-City Financial Corporation, First Stage PUD and Related Map Amendment, Squares 3953, 3954, 4024 and 4025:

I am writing to share my experiences with Mid-City Financial as a responsible property owner in my Advisory Neighborhood Commission Single Member District that is committed to working with the community to improve the quality of life for all.

Mid-City Financial owns Heritage at Shaw Station, formerly known as Lincoln Westmoreland II, a garden apartment complex that straddles the east and west sides of the 1700 block of 8th Street, NW, in ANC 6E01 (formerly 2C01).

Over my 15 years serving as the ANC Commissioner for the blocks where Heritage at Shaw Station is located, I have always found Mid-City Financial to be responsive to requests for cooperation in addressing community issues, such as security on the blocks where their properties are located.

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When faced with a loitering problem on their properties that was facilitating open air drug transactions, Mid-City Financial made the considerable investment in installing fencing and gates to limit access to authorized residents and guests. Combined with coordination of their private security service with the Metropolitan Police Department and additional security cameras, the fencing and gates helped dramatically reduce the illegal activity in the area

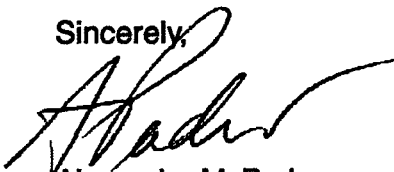
Mid-City Financial also has been an active participant in and supporter of activities that engage the community, including National Night Out, Back to School, and Juneteenth celebrations. This support has included both staff time and financial resources needed in order to conduct these events.

Mid-City Financial has also provided funding for after school activities for children that reside in the complex, enriching their in-school educational experiences. These services were formerly delivered on site, but are currently provided nearby.

Mid-City Financial has always been responsive to concerns about the management of their properties in my SMD. When the Lincoln Westmoreland II complex was converted to a mixed income property upon the termination of their Section 8 contract, Mid-City responded quickly to all my requests for meetings and informational materials to help residents understand their rights and responsibilities during the transition. Mid-City did an exemplary job of communicating with their tenants during this complex transaction, ensuring that no tenant was "left behind." The result is that those tenants that were qualified and wanted to remain at the complex were able to do so, and the others were able to move elsewhere with the housing vouchers that were provided. The process would have been much more chaotic and stressful for the tenants had Mid-City not been so committed to minimizing the impact of this process. This continued during the renovation phase of the conversion to Heritage at Shaw Station, which has resulted in more attractive and comfortable living conditions for both the subsidized and market rate tenants.

In summary, Mid-City Financial has proven to be a responsible, cooperative, and trustworthy community partner that has delivered on its promises to their tenants and the community as a whole. I am confident that they will likewise be a responsible, committed and diligent partner with the community affected by the Brentwood Village project and PUD and will deliver on their promises, as they have in the past.

Sincerely,



Alexander M. Padro
Commissioner
ANC 6E01