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DC Zoning Commission:

I oppose replacing Bruce Monroe Community Park with a 9-story-plus-penthouse tower. (Case 16-11)

The city should be focusing on preserving and creating additional park space. The idea that a park has to be destroyed in order to build housing is ridiculous. The Georgia Ave corridor is full of undeveloped and underdeveloped parcels. Our neighborhood has plenty of room for both housing and park space.

Giving a park to a developer in a city that is currently spending millions of dollars to acquire land to create parks in other areas like Noma is short sighted.

I've lived in this neighborhood for twelve years. The city has never treated us respectfully. When I moved in, the school had just been demolished and the city planned to create a parking lot on the site. My neighbors came together to push the city to create a park instead. The park has been a popular neighborhood amenity for years. It should be preserved.

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