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## VIA IZIS AND EMAIL

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## Re: <u>Z.C. Case No. 16-23</u> <u>Valor Development, LLC – Voluntary Design Review</u> <u>Request for Second Deferral of Commission's Deliberation</u>

Dear Members of the Zoning Commission:

On behalf of Valor Development, LLC (the "Applicant"), we respectfully request the Commission to defer its deliberation on the above-referenced project, which is currently scheduled for May 24, 2018, to allow the Applicant time to submit additional information, including revised project plans. As more thoroughly discussed herein, the Applicant is requesting until June 18, 2018, to submit a revised set of proposed plans to the Commission following further coordination on such plans with the Office of Planning ("OP"), the District Department of Transportation ("DDOT"), and the community.

Since submitting its February 22, 2018, request for deferral, the Applicant has met with OP to discuss various aspects of the project, including the manner in which the Inclusionary Zoning ("IZ") set aside requirement shall be calculated given the substantial amount of existing commercial density within the project boundary that is not subject to IZ nor owned/controlled by the Applicant. Based on input provided by OP, the IZ set aside calculation for the project must include the existing commercial density of the American University ("AU") building and the Spring Valley Shopping Center ("SVSC") when determining the extent of bonus density utilization. The Applicant has also met with the District of Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development ("DHCD") to discuss whether any programs exist that could support greater affordable housing within the project. Due to specific program requirements and constraints, and the substantial and complicated cost structure associated with development of the project site, there are no viable DHCD programs available to the Applicant at this time.

As a result of the meetings with OP and DHCD, and in an effort to better address concerns expressed by the community, the Applicant has spent considerable time reevaluating the overall height and mass of the project, which was conducted using modeling specifications Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia April 16, 2018 Page 2

that are consistent with the visualization prepared by Citizens for Responsible Development ("CRD"), a party in opposition. Based on this analysis, the Applicant has made several substantial changes to the project, including elimination of an entire floor from proposed Building 1, the larger of the two proposed buildings, and the replacement of Building 2 with smaller-scale townhomes. Overall, these changes result in a reduction of approximately 36,000 square feet of market-rate residential gross floor area which, needless to say, has a considerable impact on the underwriting of the project. As such, the Applicant has had several meetings with Apex Real Estate Company, AU, and FW DC-Spring Valley Shopping Center LLC, the owners of property within the project boundary, to discuss aspects of the development agreements that make the project possible.

All of the efforts described above have required considerably more analysis and time than the Applicant had expected, and the Applicant has only recently reached a point where it could advance preparation of a revised set of plans and other supporting documents. In preparing this request for deferral, the Applicant took into consideration the degree of changes to the proposed plans, and the Commission's support for applicants taking a "good-neighbor" approach to projects. The request to defer will allow the Applicant time to meet/coordinate with OP, DDOT, Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC") 3E and 3D, and parties in support and opposition prior to formally submitting revised plans to the Commission.

Despite the uncharacteristic way in which this project has progressed, the Applicant remains committed to its original goal of developing a project that reestablishes a highly-desired grocery story use on the site and substantially increases the amount of market-rate and affordable housing located within Ward 3, and firmly believes that voluntary design review is the ideal process to achieve this goal. Through this process, the project has improved significantly in program, design quality, and in how it relates to the surrounding context. The Applicant looks forward to meeting with OP, DDOT, the ANCs, and the parties to discuss the revised plans, and thanks the Commission for its continued attention to this important voluntary design review project.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully Submitted,

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