

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 8C
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**Chairman Hood
Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001**

**Re: Case # 16-29
Howard Road Development**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8C consist of seven commissioners, four commissioners constitute a quorum.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8C held a public meeting on October 4, 2017 for a vote to the Howard Road Development. Five Commissioners was present at the beginning of the meeting, Commissioners Hines left at 7:15 and Commissioner Stith left at 7:45 left three commissioners present (no quorum).

This is the first time in my history as a Commissioners, ANC 8C did not vote on Zoning or BZA case that came before them.

On October 3, 2017 I attended ANC 8A public meeting, Popular Point/Howard Road development was not on the Agenda and was not discussed and did vote. Both Commissions did not vote on this development, which is unusual.

ANC 8A and 8C met several times together to discuss the community benefit package and the plans. I made it clear to Louis Dubin, I (Mary Cuthbert) would not vote for this development with the name Popular Point, it's Howard Road.

My (Mary Cuthbert) concern is the name change of the location. Many years ago Former Mayor Fenty had several meetings in the Ward 8 regarding the development

of Popular Point. After attending about 5 meetings, we were told the District did not own popular point the federal government would not give it to the District until we found a place for the helicopter pad.

Recently a Trauma Physician from George Washington Hospital attend an ANC -E meeting requesting for us to lobby to move the helicopter from United Medical Center to George Washington Hospital since UMC did not have a trauma unit.

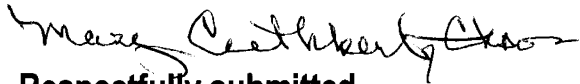
There are four helicopter pads in the District of Columbia; UMC, MedStar, Popular Point and the White House.

I (Mary Cuthbert) resent Redbrick attending meetings in Ward 8 informing people they are developing Popular Point, to get support letters. the building is located on Howard Road and Frederick Douglas Bridge. My community is calling me about the development at Popular Point vs. Howard Road, SE. Some of the main concern is the traffic on Howard Road and Metro Station where all of the buses turn into the bus depot. Although Redbrick say they are having conversation with METRO. We community know more about that.

Yes, Popular Point is close by Howard Road, but for example I tell you I live on Martin Luther King Ave. in actuality, I live on Alabama Ave two blocks away, you will never find my house.

In the past two weeks there has been many changes to the plan, last week we received the request to close an alley, I wonder if the developer know what they want to do with this land. This is the worst developer I work with in the 35 years as an ANC commissioner.

As you know, in the past my testimony is very short and brief the Zoning Commissioners as the professional would ask questions. In my opinion redbrick tried to divide the commissioners for the vote. I tried to explain to them to speak to each (8A and 8C) commissioners in the respective group we would have a like understand.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary J. Cuthbert". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Respectfully submitted
Mary J. Cuthbert, Chair
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