

## COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER TRAYON WHITE

February 6, 2018

Mr. Anthony Hood DC Zoning Commission 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South Washington, DC 20001

RE: Zoning Case #17-17

Dear Mr. Hood:

I am writing this letter in opposition to the proposed development of a 5 story, 1700-unit storage facility at 1401 22<sup>nd</sup> Street at the gateway to the Anacostia Park. My office has received many calls and visitors opposing storage facility. I have also met with members of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission who also oppose this development and has submitted resolution to state it objection.

It is in my opinion, that this proposed development will destroy our only recreational park area in Ward 8. It will destroy the character of our residential neighborhood, increase safety concerns for our pedestrians and cyclers in the neighborhood. And will cause an added safety hazard to our children en-route to and from Orr Elementary School and the Anacostia Park.

Rather than to approve a storage facility, I encourage the District of Columbia authoring body to rezone the lot to residential. It is my understanding that the developer initially agreed to this at a public meeting.

Please know that I stand in solidarity with the residents of Ward 8 in opposing this development. Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Frayon White, Sr.

Councilmember, Ward 8