



**BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSION OR
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**




FORM 140 - PARTY STATUS REQUEST

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Pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle Y § 404.1 or Subtitle Z § 404.1, a request is hereby made, the details of which are as follows:

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I hereby request to appear and participate as a party in Case No.:	17-21		
Signature:	3/14/19 	Date:	3/14/19

Will you appear as a(n)	<input type="checkbox"/> Proponent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Opponent	Will you appear through legal counsel?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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If yes, please enter the name and address of such legal counsel.

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ADVANCED PARTY STATUS CONSIDERATION PURSUANT TO: Subtitle Y § 404.3/Subtitle Z § 404.3:

I hereby request advance Party Status consideration at the public meetings scheduled for:

PARTY WITNESS INFORMATION:

On a separate piece of paper, please provide the following witness information:

- A list of witnesses who will testify on the party's behalf;
- A summary of the testimony of each witness;
- An indication of which witnesses will be offered as expert witnesses, the areas of expertise in which any experts will be offered, and the resumes or qualifications of the proposed experts; and
- The total amount of time being requested to present your case.

PARTY STATUS CRITERIA:

Please answer all of the following questions referencing why the above entity should be granted party status:

- How will the property owned or occupied by such person, or in which the person has an interest be affected by the action requested of the Commission/Board?
- What legal interest does the person have in the property? (i.e. owner, tenant, trustee, or mortgagee)
- What is the distance between the person's property and the property that is the subject of the application before the Commission/Board? (Preferably no farther than 200 ft.)
- What are the environmental, economic, or social impacts that are likely to affect the person and/or the person's property if the action requested of the Commission/Board is approved or denied?
- Describe any other relevant matters that demonstrate how the person will likely be affected or aggrieved if the action requested of the Commission/Board is approved or denied.
- Explain how the person's interest will be more significantly, distinctively, or uniquely affected in character or kind by the proposed zoning action than that of other persons in the general public.

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1. Witness List
 - a. Martin Welles –
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2. Summary of testimony: Will testify regarding impact of inserting a commercial building with a business that manufactures clothing, has administrative offices on a street otherwise void of commercial activity (I Street, SW). Will testify regarding impact of removal of and relocation of light pole will impact use of soccer field where he coaches soccer for children ages 5-12. Will testify that light pole is on city owned land, and not land owned by the developer. Will testify that granting a zoning change from R-3 to MU-4 will increase height of building to have adverse impact on soccer field and playground area where his children play. Will testify that change of zoning to allow building up to the property line will create generational problems as balls from the play field will constantly hit the building, block sunlight and place adults too close to the playground. Will testify that building a 58 foot tall dormitory for actors is not consistent with the land's previous use as a parking lot and will create tension between school children and adults using the playground from approximately 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. each night.
3. No expert witnesses are anticipated at this time.
4. 30 – 60 minutes to present case.

Party Status Criteria:

1. As a coach for a longstanding summer soccer camp for inner city youth age 5-12, the new development as proposed will block sunlight, create tension between children using the playground and adults living and working in the building which is too high and too close to the property line. Removal of a light pole that has been in place for 25 years on contested city land will prevent the field from being illuminated. Placing a dormitory which is 58 feet tall next to a children's playground will create tension between inner city children who use the playground and young adults trying to sleep. Adding a commercial enterprise to a street where there is otherwise no commercial activity will change the nature of the street and cause either a carve out for one enterprise or a cascade of requests to commercialize a residential street.
2. I am the elected Community Member of Amidon-Bowen Elementary School Local Advisory Team. Amidon-Bowen Elementary School has the largest contiguous border with the proposed project – approximately 700 feet.
3. Amidon-Bowen Elementary School shares approximately 700 feet of contiguous property line.

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4. Increase in vehicle and pedestrian traffic for deliveries, increase in density from R-3 to MU-4. Deprivation of sunlight and noise complaints from residents against children. Loss of electric light from removal of light pole.
5. Construction will limit the use of the playgrounds and soccer fields. Increased height and shadow of buildings will prevent play surfaces from drying out after rain and snow.
6. As a long time supporter and Amidon-Community member, I have spent 10 years working to improve the school and play spaces. My children have attended Amidon-Bowen for 7 years and regularly participate in activities. As a coach for an inner city soccer camp, the children I serve will be deprived of a lighted, dry play space.