

To whom it may concern,

Thank you to the Zoning Commission for their attempt at creating zoning to balance the needs of residents and developers. I applaud your efforts but I fear the implications of creating a precedent with MU-4A zoning. While this solution may fit the needs of the Penn Branch neighborhood, I fear that other areas within the city will attempt to use this zoning as an opportunity to reject density. As a young person living in Northwest DC, I can assure you that there is a dearth of affordable housing. The reality is, that more density leads to more affordable housing. I encourage you to use tact and foresight when weighing in on this new zoning. As a young person working in the city, I don't think my voice is often heard. I usually hear about the needs of long time residents and families. As someone who hopes to become a long time resident, it would be nice to be given the opportunity to stay in my current neighborhood without fear of being priced out. We need to think of the long term effects of this current zoning and its implications throughout our city. I am in favor of the developer either using a PUD process or if this zoning is accepted, for there to be now way for it to automatically apply throughout the city.

Best regards,

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