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Re, Case number 19-10 Valor Development, LLC Consolidated PUD Square 1499, Lots 802, 803, 806, and 807.

Letter in Opposition

Dear Chairman Hood,

First, Thank you for your service to our community. You are important to us. May I ask your help in resolving a development problem in our corner of DC, in American University Park?

The development company, VALOR, is fixing to redevelop a site in the neighborhood where there was once a grocery store (SuperFresh). The site needs development, but only one that fits the AU Park a residential neighborhood. I hope you can help us with that.

VALOR proposes a TOO LARGE apartment building facing our residential community and with a grocery store. below. But garden townhouses with shops and parking would be A MORE APPROPRIATE and attractive development on this site.

The plan for a grocery store below the apartments although convenient, adds too much traffic. There are already two grocery stores on Wisconsin Avenue: not far away: Whole Foods and a Wegmans (coming soon) plus a Giant.

VALOR's oversize plan will crowd nearby residential streets and create traffic problems particularly in the existing service allys and gettin on and off Massachusetts Avenue. I do not think I am exaggerating.

Also VALOR'S largeplan will unfortunately will force several valued local business to close, especially Wagshal's and DeCarlo's.

I live on 47th street. The proposed six-story plus building will block my view of those great western sky sunsets. Help!

Sincerely,

Giles Kelly
Captain USNR, retired.