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DC Zoning Commission

February 13, 2020

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing with regards to Case 19.21.

I am a resident of Lanier Heights where the community worked hard for many years to achieve the new RF-1 zoning for our neighborhood and we continue to be concerned that developers attempt to get around the regulations. I appreciate the support of the Zoning Commission for our concerns in the past.

I will not be able to attend tonight's hearing in person but I would like to register my views on several issues.

- 1) I urge you to support further protection for rooftop solar panels from neighboring pop-ups. However, I recommend that you keep current shading study standards and oppose allowing the Zoning Administrator to set these standards.
- 2) Please keep the current rooftop architectural element protections as they are now. Allowing all changes to go before the BZA will open the door for too many exceptions and requests for exceptions.
- 3) I understand there is a proposal to modify language on what RF-1 "development standards" must be met when converting buildings to apartment houses. The language change requires meeting "all applicable development standards" but does not list all of them. ***It is critical that there be clarity about these standards up front. Listing them in detail will help the community, developers and the city abide by a common understanding of the standards and avoid disputes. Please eliminate any uncertainty by listing clearly all development standards.***
- 4) Please clarify for the community why there could be a need to change the current language regarding chimneys and air vents.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Gille

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