

Cochran, Patricia (DCOZ)

From: Rachael Davis <rd9321@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2020 1:07 PM
To: DCOZ - ZC Submissions (DCOZ)
Subject: written testimony for case number 20-14

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the DC Government. Do not click on links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know that the content is safe. If you believe that this email is suspicious, please forward to phishing@dc.gov for additional analysis by OCTO Security Operations Center (SOC).

The written testimony below is in regard to case 20-14

As a resident in SW neighborhood of D.C., I am extremely concerned about affordable housing not only for myself but for my neighbours who are constantly pushed out because of luxury apartment developments. The development that is proposed for the northwest corner of South Capitol and M Streets SW will be another luxury apartment that plans to have only 1 affordable will push out more local residents. There is already a surplus of luxury housing that can not fill to occupancy which is a sign from the market that more luxury housing is not needed. Aimed the Covid-19 pandemic our homelessness and housing insecure population continues to rise and building another unaffordable development is not planning for the reality of our current housing crisis; what good is more apartment units if current residents cannot afford the rent. The zoning commission should reject this project design because it is exactly the opposite of what our neighborhood needs. This development should not be approved until the development provides and adequate number of affordable units.

Sincerely,

Rachael Davis