

## **ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6E**

PO Box 93020 Brentwood Station, Washington, DC 20090

October 18, 2020

Anthony Hood, Chairman Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW Washington, DC 20001

Re: Letter of Support for the Map Amendment for Parcel 42, 1707 7th Street, NW, Case 20-16

Dear Chair Hood:

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E conducted a virtual public meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at which we were asked to consider a map amendment for Parcel 42, located at 1707 7th Street, NW. After reviewing the request ANC 6E believes the map amendment will serve to expedite and accelerate the approval process and hopefully achieve the development that will serve the residents of Shaw after an almost two-decade delay with this parcel. In addition, the Commission would like the Office of Planning to ensure that the following are taken into consideration in deciding on the development:

- 1. First and foremost, excellence in design that will stand the test of time.
- Maximizing the below grade parking on the site.
- Making good use of public space on Rhode Island Avenue and R Street frontage and have this wonderful opportunity to have a space that would actively engage the community.
- Energy efficiency/green building.

At the Commission's meeting, duly noticed, with a quorum present (four out of seven Commissioners required to be in attendance to achieve a quorum), ANC 6E voted in favor (5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstention) to support the request from the Office of Planning for a Map Amendment of Parcel 42, 1707 7<sup>th</sup> St. NW, from an ARTS 2 Zone to an ARTS 4 Zone, subject to DMPED providing vehicles ensuring the community benefits agreement and a process for community involvement and input into the final designs of the building. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachelle Nigro Chair, ANC 6E