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Anthony J. Hood, Chairman
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200S
Washington, DC 20001

Via Email: DCOZ-ZCSubmissions@dc.gov; Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS)

Re: Congress Park Community Partners, LLC Map Amendment in Square 5914

Dear Chairman Hood:

Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 8E is in receipt OAG's petition asking the Zoning Commission to reconsider Case 21-17 given the Comprehensive Plan requirement that zoning or density increases the Congress Heights Metro Station should only be available through a Planned Unit Development. We are aware of this provision; however, we still fully support the approved Map Amendment since the project complies with many other equally important Comp Plan policies.

As indicated in our resolution in support of the Map Amendment, we stated that "We believe Congress Park Community Partners' petition will further facilitate the implementation of broad public policy and the District's Comprehensive Plan. This amendment would support the District's Comprehensive Plan by providing medium-density housing and neighborhood-serving retail and service uses in this area." Moreover, although the site is not being developed as a PUD, the Applicant has executed a CBA as part of the project and is providing a substantial number of amenities.

We understand that the PUD is meant to provide an additional layer of accountability; though the Map Amendment does not afford the same level of accountability, we look forward to continuing work with CPCP to ensure they are honoring all of their commitments to the community, and they have assured the Commission they will do so.

ANC 8E restates our support for the approved Map Amendment and we do not believe there is reason to delay the project. The ANC Commissioners were convened via phone in order to submit this response in time.

Respectfully,
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8E

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