

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

May 19, 2017

Frederick Hill, Chairperson Board of Zoning Adjustment 441 4th Street NW, Suite 210S Washington, DC 20001 bzasubmissions@dc.gov

RE: 1761-1763 N Street NW (BZA #19500)

Dear Chairperson Hill,

At its regular meeting on May 10, 2017, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 6 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-0):

WHEREAS, the project as proposed is requesting a parking variance as well as a variance from the long-term bicycle parking requirements,

WHEREAS, the project is an expansion of the Middle East Institute, which is a long-time neighbor in Dupont Circle and is not reducing the number of parking spaces at the site,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that if anyone is to request a parking variance for more limited parking, it should be an entity on this block, which is highly transit-, biking-, and walking-oriented, and which already has parking garages for those who choose to drive,

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B would typically be uncomfortable with relief from the long-term bicycle parking requirements, this applicant is providing twice the required long-term bike parking spaces under an overhang, which ANC 2B believes is an adequate solution, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B urges the applicant to consider provisioning short-term bicycle parking spaces on their property rather than in the public right of way.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the project as proposed.

Commissioners Randy Downs (<u>randy.downs@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) and Nicole Mann (<u>nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Nicole Mann

Chair