Item 8 - Correspondence

From: Margaret Rifkin
To: MCP-Chair

Cc: Stern, Tanya; Sanders, Carrie; McVary, Jessica; Luisa Cardona

Subject: Request for Wheaton Cultural Arts Center Site Selection Review by the Planning Board

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Dear Mr Chairman/Jeff,

This is a request that the Site Selection for the Wheaton Cultural Arts Center be reviewed by the Planning Board as soon as possible with an opportunity for public testimony. Right now the plan is to place it on the WMATA Site on Georgia north of University. Some of us feel that it really should be located near Metro, the Marian Fryer Town Plaza and the greatest concentration of restaurants and other businesses in Wheaton.

This Site Selection really should be reviewed by your staff and the Planning Board before it moves forward.

Thank you Jeff!

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Here is a link to the recent article in Bethesda Beat/MoCo365:

https://moco360.media/2023/02/13/countys-georgia-avenue-location-for-wheaton-arts-and-cultural-center-draws-opposition/