Item 9 - Correspondence

From: Amanda Farber
To: MCP-Chair

Subject: Testimony for Lot 44 / 4702 West Virginia - East Bethesda Citizens Association

Date: Tuesday, September 10, 2024 9:59:52 AM

Attachments: Development of Lot 44 and West Virginia Ave - EBCA.pdf

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Good morning -

Please see the attached testimony for the upcoming public hearing on Sept 12^{th} for the project on Lot 44/4702 West Virginia Ave.

Thank you, Amanda Farber

EBCA President



September 9, 2024

Planning Board Chair Harris and Members of the Montgomery County Planning Board:

The East Bethesda Citizens Association was very involved during the drafting and adoption of the 2017 Bethesda Downtown Plan ("the Plan") and has continued to be involved with supporting the implementation of the Plan through representation on the Bethesda Implementation Advisory Committee and neighbor participation in community meetings regarding development projects, infrastructure, and amenities. In particular, neighbors have closely followed the proposals for development projects along the east side of Wisconsin Avenue that include delivery of the Eastern Greenway described in the Plan.

As a neighborhood association, we support the zoning and amenities outlined in the Plan. The redevelopment of PLD 44 and 4702 West Virginia Ave is consistent with the Plan goals of providing additional housing, providing additional affordable and family sized housing, replacement of surface public parking, improved streetscapes, and the delivery of a portions of the Greenway, which are all important.

We understand that there will be further opportunity for community input regarding the design and delivery of improvements to Chase Ave Park, which is adjacent to this project and which serves as an important community space. We therefore support this development and look forward to continuing to participate in the development review process going forward as it pertains to other lots and projects in this vicinity.

Amanda Farber, EBCA President

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From: Paige Nerenberg
To: MCP-Chair

Cc: Matt Gordon; Jason Weinstein; Shane Crowley

Subject: Lot 44 and 4702 West Virginia Ave Development comments

Date: Sunday, September 8, 2024 12:08:17 PM

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To the Montgomery County Planning Board,

I am writing to express my support for the PLD Lot 44 & 4702 West Virginia Ave. development project. As a resident, and living close to the project, I appreciate the thoughtful approach taken to ensure the project aligns with the goals outlined in the sector plan and that it meets the needs of the neighborhood. From the beginning of this project the Broad Branch team has continually asked for immediate neighbor and neighborhood input.

In particular, I appreciate the commitment to supporting the greenway as envisioned by the 2017 Bethesda Downtown Sector Plan, which I believe is a key feature that promotes connectivity and the natural beauty of our area.

Furthermore, Broad Branch's willingness to collaborate with the M-NCPPC to improve Chase Ave Park is truly welcome. Their ability to improve the park in conjunction with the building of the project is appreciated. This park is a cherished local asset, and the planned improvements will undoubtedly enhance its usability and enjoyment for residents of all ages.

Thank you for your consideration,

Paige Nerenberg 4613 West Virginia Ave