# ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

# TIME AND PLACE:

Thursday, September 6, 2018, @ 6:30 p.m. Jerrily R. Kress Memorial Hearing Room 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 220-South Washington, D.C. 20001

# FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING:

# CASE NO. 18-09 (Office of Planning – Text Amendments to Subtitle B § 307.6 & Subtitle U § 502.1)

# THIS CASE IS OF INTEREST TO ALL ANCS

On June 15, 2018, the Office of Zoning received a report that served as a petition from the District of Columbia Office of Planning ("OP") proposing two text amendments to 11 DCMR. One text amendment is proposed to Subtitle B § 307.6 and would establish the building height measuring point "as the level of the curb, opposite the middle of the front of the building" in those zones in which the height of buildings is permitted to be ninety feet (90 ft.) or greater; the amendment would be consistent with the way height was measured under the 1958 regulations and the recent changes proposed in case 17-18. A second text amendment is proposed to Subtitle U § 502 and would add "Art gallery and museum" to the list of uses permitted as a matter of right in MU Use Group A.

On June 25, 2018, the Commission voted to set down the petition for a public hearing. The OP set down report served as a pre-hearing filing.

The following amendments to Title 11 DCMR are proposed (additions are shown in **bold <u>underlined</u>** text and deletions are shown in <del>strikethrough</del> text:

# Section 307, RULES OF MEASUREMENT FOR BUILDING HEIGHT: NON-RESIDENTIAL ZONES, of Subtitle B, DEFINITIONS, RULES OF MEASUREMENT, AND USE CATEGORIES, is amended as follows:

#### Paragraph 307.6 is amended to read as follows:

307.6 Except as provided in Subtitle B § 307.4, in those zones in which the height of <u>a</u> building is permitted to be ninety feet (90 ft.) or greater, the height of buildings shall be measured from the finished grade level at <u>BHMP shall be established at</u> the level of the curb, opposite the middle of the front of the building <u>and the</u> building height shall be measured from the BHMP to the highest point of the roof excluding parapets not exceeding four feet (4 ft.) in height.

# Section 502, MATTER-OF-RIGHT USES (MU-USE GROUP A), of Subtitle U, DEFINITIONS, RULES OF MEASUREMENT, AND USE CATEGORIES, is amended as follows:

# Paragraph 502.1 is amended to read as follows:

- 502.1 In addition to the uses permitted by Subtitle U § 501, the following uses shall be permitted in MU-Use Group A as a matter of right subject to any applicable conditions:(a)...
  - (k) Trade or any other school; and
  - (l) Utilities limited to only telephone exchange, electric substation using non-rotating equipment, and natural gas regulator station; and

# (m) Art gallery and museum.

Proposed amendments to the Zoning Regulations of the District of Columbia are authorized pursuant to the Zoning Act of June 20, 1938, (52 Stat. 797), as amended, D.C. Official Code § 6-641.01, *et seq.* 

This public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the rulemaking case provisions of the Zoning Regulations, 11 DCMR Subtitle Z, Chapter 5.

### How to participate as a witness.

Interested persons or representatives of organizations may be heard at the public hearing. The Commission also requests that all witnesses prepare their testimony in writing, submit the written testimony prior to giving statements, and limit oral presentations to summaries of the most important points. The applicable time limits for oral testimony are described below. Written statements, in lieu of personal appearances or oral presentation, may be submitted for inclusion in the record.

All individuals, organizations, or associations wishing to testify in this case are encouraged to inform the Office of Zoning their intent to testify prior to the hearing date. This can be done by mail sent to the address stated below, e-mail (<u>donna.hanousek@dc.gov</u>), or by calling (202) 727-0789.

The following maximum time limits for oral testimony shall be adhered to and no time may be ceded:

1.	Organizations	5 minutes each
2.	Individuals	3 minutes each

The Commission may increase or decrease the time allowed above, in which case, the presiding officer shall ensure reasonable balance in the allocation of time between proponents and opponents.

Written statements, in lieu of oral testimony, may be submitted for inclusion in the record. The public is encouraged to submit written testimony through the Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS) at <u>http://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Login.aspx</u>; however, written statements may also be submitted by mail to 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 200-S, Washington, DC 20001; by e-mail to <u>zcsubmissions@dc.gov</u>; or by fax to (202) 727-6072. Please include the case number on your submission. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ZONING AT (202) 727-6311.

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