



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3E

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RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT OF EXCEPTION FROM CHAIN STORE REQUIREMENT FOR DISTRICT TACO

WHEREAS:

1. ANC 3E negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) entered with Douglas Development (“Douglas”) in connection with Douglas’ Planned Unit Development application to build a mixed-use project, now known as “Tenley View,” at 4600 and 4614 Wisconsin Ave., NW.
2. Among the provisions in the MOU are restrictions on certain uses local residents typically find undesirable such as mattress stores, pawnbrokers, and chains.
3. “Chains” are defined in the MOU as “any establishment with five or more of the same named establishments in DC.”
4. The ANC negotiated the chain restriction to prevent establishments such as McDonald’s or Burger King from locating in Tenley View.
5. The ANC also recognized that residents would find some establishments with five or more branches in DC to be desirable. Accordingly, the MOU permits the ANC to approve tenants that otherwise prohibited by the MOU if the ANC believes the establishment would provide substantial value for the community.
6. District Taco is a DC-based fast casual chain serving fresh tacos and other Mexican food with a Yucatan influence.
7. ANC members have heard from numerous residents familiar with District Taco who are excited by the prospect of the restaurant coming to Tenleytown.
8. ANC 3E believes that District Taco would provide substantial value to the community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. ANC 3E hereby grants an exception to the chain restriction in the MOU for District Taco, and welcomes District Taco to the community.

The resolution passed by a vote of 5-0-0 at a properly noticed meeting held on September 9, 2015, at which a quorum was present, with Commissioners Bender, Hall, McHugh, Quinn, and Wallace in attendance.

ANC 3E

by Jonathan Bender
Chairperson