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November 16, 2015

Mr. Anthony Hood
Chairman
DC Zoning Commission
441 Fourth Street, NW, Room 200S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Zoning Commission Case No. 15-14
(DC Water Consolidated PUD and Related Map Amendment @ Squares 744S and 744SS)

Dear Members of the Commission:

As the District of Columbia Councilmember for Ward 6, I am writing to express my support for the application filed by DC Water seeking approval of a Planned Unit Development known as "DC Water Administrative Headquarters" at Squares 744S and 744SS along the Anacostia Waterfront.

The six-story headquarters design is a bold, innovative statement on the Anacostia River shoreline that reflects DC Water's mission to provide reliable and cost-effective water and wastewater. With abundant daylight and views of the river, the new building will provide a pleasant working environment for over 300 employees, and the spaces open to the general public will educate customers on DC Water's environmental mission.

In addition, I applaud the efforts being made by DC Water to lead by example in the area of green building and climate adaptation. The new Administrative Headquarters Building will be LEED Platinum Class A, incorporating almost every state-of-the-art environmentally sustainable feature used in modern construction. In addition, the location will expand the commuting options for DC Water staff, leveraging existing public transit and reducing the need for vehicle parking.

I join ANC6D in supporting this project as an important addition to Ward 6 and appreciate your consideration of these factors in your decision.

Sincerely,

Councilmember Charles Allen
Council of the District of Columbia, Ward 6