



District of Columbia Government  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
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February 14, 2005

Jalal Greene  
Director, Department of Housing and Community Development  
801 North Capitol Street NE, Suite 8000  
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Request for Proposals for 1341 Maryland Avenue, NE (the former Fire House)

Mr. Greene:

On February 10, 2005, at our regularly scheduled and noticed public meeting, with a quorum of 7 of 8 commissioners present, we voted to request that you incorporate the following recommendations into the selection criteria of the Request for Proposals (RFP) that we understand your agency is currently preparing for 1341 Maryland Ave. NE (the former firehouse). Accordingly, we expect that as a result of the great weight" afforded to an ANC, these will be included in the final RFP criteria.

1. The ANC opposes any quasi-residential use such as a Community-Based Residential Facility.
2. Give strong preference to bidders who are able to show significant support from within the immediate neighborhood.
3. Give strong preference to bidders with a proven record of successful management of renovations involving asbestos, lead and other environmental hazards, unless such hazards are shown not to be present at the site, in which case such a preference is unnecessary.
4. Give strong preference to bidders with a proven record of successful residential redevelopment of properties in a historic district.

Finally, this property is located in the area represented by Commissioner Marc Borbely, whom we requested in November that you invite to participate in the interagency RFP process. We would appreciate the courtesy of a written response in writing by February 24, 2005.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Councilmember Sharon Ambrose  
Councilmember Vincent Orange  
Councilmember David Catania  
Gottlieb Simon, Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions