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Russ Ramsey Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Washington 2024 2200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, 5th Floor East Washington, DC 20037

VIA E-MAIL: rramsey@dc2024.org

RE: Invitation to Community Meeting Regarding Washington 2024's Summer

Olympic Bid

Dear Chairman Ramsey:

We write to invite you to attend a community meeting in the next month to discuss specific details of the Washington 2024 Summer Olympic bid. At a properly noticed meeting with a quorum present on November 12, 2014, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted 8-0 to send this letter and invitation.

We are aware that Washington, DC is a finalist to be the United States bid city for the 2024 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games. While few details have been released about your plans for venues, media reports suggest that a good portion of the eastern end of Capitol Hill, including RFK Stadium, the DC Armory and Reservation 13, are being discussed as sites for an Olympic Stadium, Olympic Village and other venues. Our commission represents the Hill East residents who live immediately to the west of these sites.

Before our commission can consider supporting your efforts, we need an opportunity to learn more about your plans and to ask you questions before the United States Olympic Committee selects a bid city in early 2015. Our questions include:

- 1) What venues are being planned for the land surrounding RFK Stadium, the DC Armory and Reservation 13 (site of the former DC General Hospital)?
- 2) Given that most hotels are west of these sites, how will spectators travel to the various venues without further complicating the normal congestion along our roads?
- 3) Besides the site of RFK Stadium and Reservation 13, are there other potential Olympic Stadium or Village locations in mind?

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- 4) How much will the District of Columbia have to invest in the Olympic bid? What will be the breakdown in public versus private dollars?
- 5) How do you plan to engage surrounding neighbors as the bid progresses? A community advisory committee? Monthly e-mail list?

In the next few days, I will follow up with your staff to find a date/time and Hill East venue in the next month that works for a meeting. We will also coordinate this date and time with our colleague commissions who represent constituents on or surrounding the eastern end of Capitol Hill – ANC 7D (RFK Stadium and the Armory), ANC 7F (Reservation 13) and ANC 6A (residents immediately east and northeast of the sites).

In your June 2014 press release, Washington 2024's Vice Chairman Ted Leonsis said that DC would host the "most transparent" games in history. It is in this spirit that we send this invitation. We look forward to learning more about the bid and how it will affect our constituents and city. Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Brian Flahaven

Chair

cc: The Honorable Vincent C. Gray, Mayor, District of Columbia
The Honorable Yvette Alexander, Councilmember, Ward 7
The Honorable Muriel Bowser, Councilmember, Ward 4
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