

Pending legislation CB19-2016 and CB2-2016

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In the interest of time I will present my thoughts briefly.

CB19-2016:

I greatly appreciate that all of the materials submitted were posted to the Council website to provide citizens with an opportunity to study them.

After reading through the extensive materials and asking further questions of some of the individuals who testified AGAINST CB19-2016, I find I agree with their conclusions. Therefore I request that you NOT pass this bill.

At a minimum I believe you should table this bill, ask questions of those who testified and carefully examine the evidence. It would appear that YOU as well as the public may have been fooled by some document switching at a time when you had a very large amount of documents under consideration.

It is critical that the Council not give the appearance of favoring particular land owners and/or their attorneys and that they remain committed to preserving some areas for less dense development.

CB2-2016:

I want to reiterate my position that ATAPCO should NOT be granted any further changes. The level of residential density is already appalling and there are a great number of infrastructure inadequacies. Please do not be influenced by Mr. Oh's ridiculous comment that they could build the commercial space, but it would sit vacant. I'm sure the County could find a use for the vacant building--to house small non-profits, to provide much needed meeting space, etc. ATAPCO should not be allowed another bait and switch for higher residential density. Therefore I request that you NOT pass this bill.

Best regards,
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