# COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COMMITTEE REPORT

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

DRAFT

TO: All Councilmembers

**FROM:** Chairman Phil Mendelson

Committee of the Whole

**DATE:** November 7, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Report on PR 22-473, "Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation

Resolution of 2017"

The Committee of the Whole, to which PR 22-473, the "Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation Resolution of 2017" was referred, reports favorably thereon and recommends approval by the Council.

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# I. BACKGROUND AND NEED

On September 18, 2017, PR 22-473, the "Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation Resolution of 2017" was introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor. The purpose of PR 22-473 is to confirm the reappointment of Fred Hill as a member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment ("The Board") for a term to expire September 30, 2020.

Mr. Hill is a long-time businessman, entrepreneur, and resident of the Washington, D.C. region. He currently resides in the District's Penn Quarter neighborhood and is President, CEO, and founder of The Hill Group, a business consulting firm. Clients of the Hill Group have included the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; the National Institutes of Health; the Indian Health Service; the U.S. Agency for International Development; the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues; and the Smithsonian Institute/National Museum of the American Indian. As President, Mr. Hill is responsible for corporate oversight of strategic planning initiatives, conference and event management projects, science writing and editing services, graphic and design services, and technical assistance. Prior to founding the Hill Group, Mr.

Hill worked as a project manager on more than 100 biomedical conferences and events, supervising conference managers and overseeing all aspects of planning and logistical services for Computercraft Corporation—a Maryland company. Mr. Hill holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Arizona and studied Chinese language at Beijing University in China.

Beyond his business ventures, Mr. Hill has also applied himself to community-enhancing pursuits. He founded the Hill Foundation, a nonprofit organization that addresses health disparities at the community level. He served as Director of Finance and as a member of the Board of Directors for the D.C. chapter of the Entrepreneurs Organization. He has also served on his condo board and is active in Leadership Greater Washington.

Mr. Hill began his service on the Board of Zoning Adjustment in July 2015. He was elected by the Board as Vice-Chair in March 2016 and was later elected Board Chairman in October 2016, the position he currently holds. At the public hearing on his reappointment, Mr. Hill described his experience on the BZA as "both challenging and rewarding." Mr. Hill described the Board's recent familiarization with the new zoning regulations implemented on September 16, 2017. He also highlighted the meaningful experience he has gained working with applicants, the Office of Planning, the Department of Transportation, citizens presenting in support and opposition, and various Advisory Neighborhood Commissions concerning special exceptions, variances, and appeals. Mr. Hill emphasized his commitment to being "a fair and deliberate arbitrator of what can be contentious proceedings."

According to Mr. Hill, he has made contributions to the political campaigns of Muriel Bowser, Brandon Todd, and LaRuby May. At the public hearing on his nomination, Mr. Hill stated that he does not have any conflicts of interest that would interfere with his duties as a member of the Board. However, if a conflict of interest were to arise, Mr. Hill stated that he would recuse himself. Lastly, Mr. Hill stated that he is able to continue to meet the time commitment required as a member of the Board.

# The Board

The Board of Zoning Adjustment is a creation of federal law.<sup>2</sup> The Board is composed of a member of the National Capital Planning Commission or a Commission staff member; a rotating member of the Zoning Commission; and three members appointed by the Mayor of the District of Columbia with the advice and consent of the Council.<sup>3</sup> Of the three members appointed by the Mayor, each must have been a resident of the District of Columbia for at least three years immediately preceding his or her appointment, and at least one of those three members must own his or her own home.<sup>4</sup> The terms of the three members appointed by the Mayor are for three years.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See R21-133 Effective from Jun 30, 2015, Published in DC Register Vol 62 and Page 13182

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ch. 534, 52 Stat. 797 (1938), An Act Providing for the zoning of the District of Columbia and the regulation of the location, height, bulk, and uses of buildings and other structures and of the uses of land in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 6-641.07(a) (2008 Supp.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Id.* § 6-641.07(b).

Resolution #	Position	Appointee	Nominated for Term Expiring:	Residency
R 22-473	Member, District Resident (Chairperson)	Fred Hill	September 30, 2020	Ward 2
PR 22-473	Member, District Resident	Lesylleé White	September 30, 2019	Ward 4
N/A	Member, District Resident	Vacant	N/A	N/A
N/A	National Capital Planning Commission Designee	Carlton Hart	N/A	N/A
N/A	Zoning Commission Designee	Rotating	N/A	N/A

Table 1: Membership of the Board of Zoning Adjustment

The Board is authorized to consider applications for special exceptions and variances, as well as to hear appeals from decisions granting or refusing a building permit or granting or withholding a certificate of occupancy, or appeals from other administrative decisions based on the zoning regulations or zoning map.<sup>6</sup> The Board addresses the following types of cases, and each case includes a public hearing before the Board:

- **Appeals**—appeals from any order, requirement, decision, determination, or refusal made by the Mayor, Zoning Administrator, or any other administrative officer or body in the carrying out or enforcement of the zoning regulations.
- Special Exceptions—requests for special exceptions to the zoning regulations, regarding approval of certain aspects of the development or use of property, where "in the judgment of the BZA, the special exception will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps and will not tend to affect adversely, the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps...." Special exceptions are explicitly contemplated in the zoning regulations and are subject to special conditions specified in the regulations.
- Variances—Relief from the strict application of the zoning regulations, specifically: "[w]here, by reason of exceptional narrowness, shallowness, or shape of a specific piece of property at the time of the original adoption of the regulations or by reason of exceptional topographical conditions or other extraordinary or exceptional situation or condition of a specific piece of property, the strict application of any [zoning regulation] would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties to or exceptional and undue hardship upon the owner of such

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> *Id.* § 6-641.07(f).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> D.C. MUN. REGS. tit. 11, § 3104.1 (2011).

property...." Such relief may be granted in order to relieve the resulting hardship or practical difficulties; however, relief can only be granted "without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the intent, purpose, and integrity of the zone plan as embodied in the zoning regulations and map."

• Other—decisions on other special questions which the Board is authorized by its regulations to opine on, including map interpretations. <sup>10</sup>

The Board of Zoning Adjustment is distinct from the Zoning Commission; the latter has plenary authority over zoning, including formulation of the zoning regulations. The Zoning Commission has exclusive jurisdiction over all matters concerning zoning in the District of Columbia. In addition to being responsible for the zoning regulations (Title 11 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations), the Commission reviews all cases relating to the zoning map and text. These include planned unit developments (PUDs) and campus plans for colleges and universities. The Zoning Commission is also responsible for implementing the land use aspects of the Comprehensive Plan—a plan which is proposed by the Mayor and adopted by the Council. The Commission's plenary authority includes the right to review, *sua sponte*, any decision of the Board of Zoning Adjustment. In the Interview of the

Mr. Hill is nominated for reappointment to the Board. The Committee finds Mr. Hill sincere in his commitment to continue to serve the District and to adhere strictly to the regulations in the Zoning Code. Mr. Hill's consulting background and experience with community engagement will allow him to make meaningful contributions to the Board. Further, his strong international background will bring a unique perspective to the Board. Therefore, the Committee recommends the confirmation of Mr. Fred Hill as a member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment for a term to expire on September 30, 2020.

# II. LEGISLATIVE CHRONOLOGY

September 18, 2017 PR 22-473, "Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation Resolution of 2017" is introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor.

September 19, 2017 PR 22-473 is referred to the Committee of the Whole; on this date the referral of the PR to the Committee of the Whole is official and the 90-day period for Council review begins. If the measure is not acted upon by the Council before January 10, 2018, PR 22-473 will be deemed disapproved.

October 6, 2017 Notice of Intent to Act on PR 22-473 is published in the *Register*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 6-641.07(g)(3) (2008 Supp.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> *Id.*(f)-(g). The law also specifies that the Zoning Commission may authorize the BZA to interpret the zoning maps, and address questions of lot line or district boundary line disputes, or similar questions that may arise. *Id.* § 6-641.07(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Tenley & Cleveland Park Emergency Comm. v. Dist. of Columbia Bd. of Zoning Adjustment, 550 A.2d 331 (D.C. 1988).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See D.C. Mun. REGS. tit. 11, § 3128 (2000).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The Mayor recently appointed Ms. Heath to the Historic Preservation Review Board ("HPRB"). See R 21-668.

October 20, 2017 Notice of a public roundtable on PR 22-473 is published in the *Register*.

October 26, 2017 The Committee of the Whole holds a public roundtable on PR 22-473.

November 7, 2017 The Committee of the Whole marks-up PR 22-473.

# III. POSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE

Mr. Hill is the Mayor's nominee for one of three District resident positions appointed by the Mayor to the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

# IV. COMMENTS OF ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONS

The Committee received no testimony or comments from any Advisory Neighborhood Commission.

# V. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

The Committee of the Whole held a public roundtable on PR 22-473 on Thursday, October 26, 2017. The testimony summarized below is from that hearing. A copy of the testimony is attached to this report.

*Fred Hill, Nominee*, testified and answered questions regarding his background and experience as they pertain to the Board of Zoning Adjustment, and his interest in continuing to serve on the Board. Mr. Hill stated, "[I]f I am re-confirmed, I pledge to the Council that I will continue to work diligently to serve the District of Columbia with informed, researched, and well balanced decisions."

The Committee received no testimony or comments in opposition to PR 22-473.

# VI. IMPACT ON EXISTING LAW

This confirmation is consistent with existing law. Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 6-641.07(a), the Board shall be composed of one representative of the National Capital Planning Commission; one representative of the Zoning Commission; and three other members appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council. Of those three members confirmed by the Council, each must have been a resident of the District for at least three years immediately preceding his or her appointment, and at least one shall own his or her own home. By operation of law, the appointment is deemed disapproved on the 90th day (excluding days of Council recess) following submission of the nomination by the Mayor, absent Council action. 14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 1-523.01(e). The 90 day period of review for PR 22-473 expires on March 15, 2017.

# VII. FISCAL IMPACT

PR 22-473 will have no fiscal impact on the District of Columbia budget or financial plan. Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 1-611.08(c)(2)(A), the three District members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment are compensated for their services at a rate of \$25 per hour, with a cap of \$12,000 per board member per year. The compensation for members of the Board is included as part of the annual budget for the Office of Zoning.

# VIII. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS

Section 1	States the short title of PR 22-473.
Section 2	Confirms the appointment of Fred Hill as a member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment for a term to expire September 30, 2020.
Section 3	Requires that a copy of the resolution, upon adoption, be transmitted to the nominee and to the Mayor.
Section 4	Provides that PR 22-473 shall take effect immediately.

# IX. COMMITTEE ACTION

# X. ATTACHMENTS

- 1. PR 22-473 as introduced
- 2. Nominee's response to Committee questions
- 3. Written testimony
- 4. Legal sufficiency determination
- 5. Committee Print for PR 22-473

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> The Chairperson of the BZA who is a public member receives an addition compensation of 20 percent above the annual \$12,000 cap. *See* D.C. OFFICIAL CODE § 1-611.08(c)(2)(J).

# COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington D.C. 20004

# Memorandum

To: Members of the Council

From: Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

Date: September 27, 2017

Subject: Referral of Proposed Legislation

Notice is given that the attached proposed legislation was introduced in the Office of the Secretary on Monday, September 18, 2017. Copies are available in Room 10, the Legislative Services Division.

TITLE: "Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation Resolution of 2017", PR22-0473

INTRODUCED BY: Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor

The Chairman is referring this legislation to the Committee of the Whole. This resolution will be deemed disapproved on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 without Council action.

Attachment

cc: General Counsel Budget Director Legislative Services



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

# MURIEL BOWSER MAYOR

SEP 1 8 2017

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 8 of An Act Providing for the zoning of the District of Columbia and the regulation of the location, height, bulk, and uses of buildings and other structures and of the uses of land in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, approved June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 799; D.C. Official Code § 6-641.07), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

Mr. Fred Hill 912 F Street NW Washington, DC 20004 (Ward 2)

for reappointment as a public member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, for a term to end September 30, 2020.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of Mr. Hill, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

Muriel Bowser

Mayor

Chairman Phil Mendelson at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on

To confirm the reappointment of Mr. Fred Hill to the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation Resolution of 2017".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

Mr. Fred Hill 912 F Street NW Washington, DC 20004 (Ward 2)

- as a public member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, pursuant to section 8 of An Act
- 30 Providing for the zoning of the District of Columbia and the regulation of the location, height,
- 31 bulk, and uses of buildings and other structures and of the uses of land in the District of
- Columbia, and for other purposes, approved June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 799; D.C. Official Code § 6-
- 33 641.07), for a term to end September 30, 2020.
  - Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
- upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
  - Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.



# Frederick L. Hill

### President and CEO

Mr. Hill has more than 20 years of experience in corporate governance and entrepreneurship. In 1998, he founded the Hill Group, a Native-American owned and managed small business. As President of the Hill Group, Mr. Hill has overseen corporate diversification, growth, and sustainability; has led strategic contract initiatives supporting the mission of numerous federal government clients; and has successfully implemented a variety of projects in the areas of health, information technology, and communications.

In addition, Mr. Hill served as Director of Finance and member of the Board of Directors for the Entrepreneurs Organization. He also founded the Hill Foundation, a nonprofit organization that addresses health disparities at a community level. Previously, Mr. Hill was a founding partner in a communications firm based in Beijing, China. He is a skilled project manager with broad experience in planning, budgeting, and implementation. Mr. Hill has a BA in Economics from the University of Arizona and, studied Chinese Language at Beijing University in China.

Education, Certifications, and Training

BA, Economics, University of Arizona

Chinese Language Studies, Beijing University, Beijing, China

# Experience

President and CEO, the Hill Group; Bethesda, Maryland (1998-Present). Responsible for corporate oversight of strategic planning initiatives, conference and event management projects, science writing and editing services, graphic and design services, and technical assistance, among other offerings in the company portfolio; responsible for corporate responses to technical and non-technical inquiries; oversees provision of exhibit services as well as IT and data communications services. Ensures that contracted work is performed on time, meets established goals, adheres to quality standards, and complies with budgetary requirements. Management activities include leading corporate and project staff meetings, overall program management, fiscal responsibility, progress reporting, and tasks essential to contract performance. Mr. Hill's clients have included the Department of Health and Human Services; the National Institutes of Health (Office of the Director; Division of Program Coordination, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives; Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Office of Science Policy Analysis; National Institute of Diabetes & Digestive & Kidney Diseases; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine); Indian Health Service; U.S. Agency for International Development; U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues; and Smithsonian Institute/National Museum of the American Indian.

Project Manager, Computercraft Corporation; Bethesda, Maryland (1992-1998). Served as project manager for more than 100 biomedical conferences and events, supervising conference managers and overseeing all aspects of planning and logistical services. Responsibilities included working directly with client project officers; facilitating communications with planning committees, special guests, and speakers; researching conference and event sites; arranging special events; providing cost estimates; and negotiating contracts.



# Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments John A. Wilson Building | 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 600 | Washington, DC 20004

# Fred Hill



Fred Hill is the President and CEO of the Hill Group and the Chair of the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

Mr. Hill has more than 20 years of experience in corporate governance and entrepreneurship. As President of the Hill Group, Mr. Hill oversees key contract proposals with federal government agencies and clients. He is also the Founder of the Hill Foundation, a non-profit organization that confronts health discrepancies at the local level. Among other duties, Mr. Hill has spearheaded a variety of health, communication, and information technology initiatives. Mr. Hill was a founding partner in a communications firm based in

Beijing, China and also previously served as a member of the Board of Directors and as the Director of Finance for the Entrepreneurs Organization.

A Ward 2 resident, Mr. Hill received a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Arizona and studied Chinese Language at Beijing University in China.

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser** 



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To:

Lolita Alston, Steve Walker

Elijabet A. Cavendish

From:

Betsy Cavendish

Date:

August 10, 2017

Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Resolution re-nominating Fred Hill to the Board of Zoning

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish

# Testimony of Fred Hill regarding PR 22-0473 Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation Resolution of 2017 Committee of the Whole John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20004

Chairman Mendelson and Members of the Council, my name is Fred Hill, and I am the current Chairman of the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

I wish to thank Mayor Bowser for her continued confidence in my service to the city on the BZA and her re-nomination of me. I also thank the Chairman and the Council for advancing my nomination to continue serving on a Board that is so vital to the character and development of our city.

The Washington D.C. area has been my home for over 40 years. I have been a Ward 2 resident for 10 years. Having lived in areas including Cathedral Heights, Shaw, and now Penn Quarter, I have witnessed the dramatic growth that has taken place in D.C. I currently live in a densely populated part of the city—living above retail with bars, restaurants, and clubs all around my home. This experience has given me relevant perspective when taking testimony from citizens, whether it is in support of or opposition to an application.

I earned my degree in Economics from the University of Arizona, studied Mandarin at the University of Beijing, and founded a communications company in Beijing, China. Through running my own consulting company for the past 25 years, I have honed my skills in management, planning, and implementation. I am pleased that our company expects to be moving into our new building in the District, at 12<sup>th</sup> and K Streets, Northwest, within the next few months.

Among my activities within the District, I have served on the Board of Directors of the local chapter of the Entrepreneurs Organization, served on my Condominium Board in ANC 2C, and served on the Board of Leadership Greater Washington.

I was confirmed by this Council to serve on the BZA in July of 2015. I was elected by the Board as their Vice-Chair on March 29, 2016. Seven months later, during the Board's election of Chair and Vice-Chair, I was elected to serve as the next Board Chairman.

My tenure on the BZA has been both challenging and rewarding. On September 6, 2017, the new zoning regulations were implemented and the Board had to become familiar with them. With a typical case load of 8 to 15 cases per hearing, the Board must spend a significant amount of time preparing each week.

Since being confirmed by the Council and serving for the past two years, I have gained meaningful experience working with applicants, the Office of Planning, the Department of Transportation, citizens presenting in support and opposition, and various ANCs concerning Special Exceptions, Variances and Appeals.

It is my desire to continue to serve the city on the BZA. I remain committed to careful consideration of the record, testimony, and relevant law. I will continue to be a fair and deliberate arbiter of what can be contentious proceedings.

I am keenly aware of how important the matters that come before the BZA are to the applicants as well as, sometimes, to neighbors who oppose variances or special exceptions, or to people who seek an appeal from the enforcement of a zoning regulation. Applicants are entitled to fair and impartial arbiters who will both hear them out and hold them to the standards they must meet to show that negative impacts will not occur. What may seem to be routine – like building a deck that goes close to a lot line – can be very important for the applicant and for the neighbor. I think I have the temperament and the knowledge for continued service.

Given my international background, one other aspect of this board service that I enjoy and that's important to our international city is the work involving foreign missions. The BZA reviews placement, expansion and replacement of foreign chanceries in certain mixed use areas of the city.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the professional and technical support provided to the Board by the Office of Zoning and the Office of the Attorney General, in particular Sara Bardin, Clifford Moy, Allison Meyers, Tracy Rose, Alan Bergstein, Mary Nagelhout, Sherry Glazer and Chris Cohen; without their support, the Board would not be able to fulfill its responsibilities to the city as a whole and to the applicants, opponents, and appellants who come before us.

In conclusion, if I am re-confirmed, I pledge to the Council that I will continue to work diligently to serve the District of Columbia with informed, researched, and well balanced decisions.

Thank you Chairman Mendelson and Members of the Council for this opportunity to speak before you. I welcome any questions you may have for me.



# COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

Office: (202) 724-8032 Fax: (202) 724-8085

October 23, 2017

Mr. Fred Hill 912 F Street NW Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Hill:

Congratulations on being nominated for reappointment to the District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment ("Board"). As you know, the appointment is subject to confirmation by the Council. The Committee of the Whole has scheduled a public hearing on your nomination for **Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in Hearing Room 412.** Enclosed is a copy of the hearing notice. It is standard for the Council to submit questions to nominee s. I request your response to the following questions no later than close of business Tuesday, October 24, 2017.

1. Please provide a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement you filed with the Office of Campaign Finance or the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability. If you have not filed a Financial Disclosure Statement, please provide answers to questions 2-8 in lieu of that statement.

# I do not think I have filed a financial disclosure statement to BEGA so I will answer the following questions.

2. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business with the District Government in which you have a beneficial interest valued in excess of \$5,000, including publicly traded stock.

# None

3. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business (including consulting) with the District Government from which you or your immediate family have received (or are receiving) income for services rendered in excess of \$1,000 during the past two years.

# None

4. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting business with the District Government in which you or any member of your immediate family serves as an officer, director, partner, or agent. Also list the position(s) held, a brief description of the entity, and any other pertinent details.

# None

5. Please provide the name of any lender and the amount of liability for each outstanding liability borrowed by you or any member of your immediate family in excess of \$5,000. Do not include loans from a federal or state insured or regulated financial institution, or from any business enterprise regularly engaged in the business of providing revolving credit or installment accounts.

# Gene and Sonam Hill (Father and Mother) \$1.5 million

6. Please list the location of all real property located in the District of Columbia in which you have an interest with a fair market value in excess of \$5,000.

912 F St, #208 NW, (Personal Residence) – 825 5th Street NE, (Apartment Building) – 1017 12th St. NW, (Office Building)

7. Please list all professional and occupational licenses held by you.

None

8. Please list any professional organizations of which you are currently a member.

# Leadership Greater Washington

9. Please list all boards and commissions connected with the District government on which you are or have been a member, and include the term of service for each.

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10. Please list any other boards (e.g. Boards of Directors of a non -profit) on which you are a member.

# None

11. Do you have any outstanding liability for taxes, fees, or other payments to the District, federal, or other state or local governments, either contested or uncontested? If so, please provide documentation of attempts to pay the amount owed or to resolve the disputed claim.

### None

12. Do you or any member of your immediate family have any interest, financial or otherwise, that may directly or indirectly pose a conflict of interest for you in performance of your duties as a member of the Board?

### None

13. Please describe any local political act1VIty (i.e. the District of Columbia local elections or campaigns) that you have engaged in over the past five years, including any campaign contributions to a local candidate or political action committee.

# Muriel Bowser for Mayor - Brandon Todd for Ward 4 - LaRuby May for Ward 8

14. Are you registered with any local, state, or federal government to lobby? If so, list the jurisdiction(s) in which you are registered.

# None

15. (a) Why have you agreed to serve for a three-year term?

# please see enclosed copy of my written testimony

(b) How do you plan to help the Board fulfill its role and mission during your time on the Board over the next six years?

# please see enclosed copy of my written testimony

16. Please discuss any past and present experiences not already mentioned that you believe are relevant to support your appointment as a member of the Board

# please see enclosed copy of my written testimony

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2	Committee of the Whole
3	November 7, 2017
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9	A PROPOSED RESOLUTION
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13	IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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18	To confirm the reappointment of Mr. Fred Hill to the Board of Zoning Adjustment.
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20	RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
21	resolution may be cited as the "Board of Zoning Adjustment Fred Hill Confirmation Resolution
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25	Mr. Fred Hill
26	912 F Street NW
27	Washington, D.C. 20004
28	(Ward 2)
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31	for the zoning of the District of Columbia and the regulation of the location, height, bulk, and
32	uses of buildings and other structures and of the uses of land in the District of Columbia, and for
33	other purposes, approved June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 799; D.C. Official Code § 6-641.07), for a term
34	to end September 30, 2020.
35	Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
36	upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
37	Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.