

# MORNINGSIDE LENOX PARK ASSOCIATION

## Item O.1 • Ordinance 24-O-1715

Z-23-63 A SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE BY ZONING COMMITTEE TO REZONE FROM R-4/BL (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL/BELTLINE OVERLAY) AND C-1/BL (COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT/BELTLINE OVERLAY) TO PD-MU/BL (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT/BELTLINE OVERLAY...

 Bond <b>NO</b>	 Westmoreland <b>NO</b>	 Collins <b>ABSENT</b>	 Winston <b>YES</b>
 Farokhi <b>YES (S)</b>	 Amos <b>YES</b>	 Dozier <b>YES</b>	 Bakhtiari <b>NO</b>
 Wan <b>NO</b>	 Shook <b>YES</b>	 Norwood <b>NO</b>	 Hillis <b>YES</b>
 Boone <b>YES</b>	 Overstreet <b>NO</b>	 Lewis <b>YES (M)</b>	
<b>YES - 8</b>	<b>NO - 6</b>	<b>ABSTAIN - 0</b>	<b>NO VOTE - 1</b>
<b>Adopted</b>			

## Amsterdam Walk

City Council approved the rezoning and redevelopment of Amsterdam Walk this afternoon. We know this vote is disheartening for those who believe in the power of neighborhood associations, the NPU system, the Zoning Review Board and the Beltline Master Plan's recommendations for land use. Please see the following message from Council Member Alex Wan.

At today's meeting, with an 8-6 vote, City Council approved the proposed Amsterdam Walk redevelopment project (zoning and land use). As I committed, I was one of the no votes. I realize that this is not the result that the NPU and neighborhoods were hoping for, but as I have been sharing in our

community meetings, I knew this was going to be a close vote given the various dynamics, especially affordable housing and commercial elements, of the project.

I appreciate the remarkable advocacy efforts that the community undertook regarding this project over the last two years. In my remarks preceding the vote, I noted that in the 11 years I have served on council, I have not seen this level of engagement from our neighborhoods, and for that I thank you.

With this outcome, this puts additional urgency on the Monroe Drive Safer Streets project to ensure the safety of our community both before and after this project comes online. I will double down on my efforts to accelerate the delivery of that project.

Again, thank you for your engagement. We'll continue our discussion in our upcoming community meetings.

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