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Reed-Cooke Neighborhood Association

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ANC 1C,

At a duly noted regular monthly meeting the Reed Cooke Neighborhood Association approved the following Comprehensive Plan recommendations. In addition to submitting these recommendations to the District's Office of Planning, our membership requests that the ANC also endorse and incorporate these recommendations into the ANC's full recommendation.

Policy and Action items in support:

1. **Policy MC-2.4.5: Reed-Cooke Area:** Support existing housing within the Reed-Cooke neighborhood, maintaining heights and densities at appropriate levels and encouraging small-scale business development that does not adversely affect the residential community.
2. **Action MC-2.4.7: Adams Morgan Vision Framework:** Implement the recommendations in the Adams Morgan Vision Framework.

RCNA more specifically endorses the following goals of the AMVF and wishes to include such goals from the AMVF into action MC-2.4.7.

Embracing Sustainability:

Goal 8E: Create a Community compost drop off site.

Incorporate a community compost drop off location as part of the Marie Reed modernization project or become part of DPR's Community Compost Cooperative Network to create a compost site at a DPR-operated park or garden in Adams Morgan.

Strengthening Identity through Arts, History & Culture:

Goal 12A: Establish a neighborhood way-finding system to help project a consistent image for the neighborhood.

Identify strategic locations in the neighborhood where way-finding could be installed to help better connect residents and visitors with surrounding amenities, retail establishments, and community facilities and services. *(with particular emphasis on social services provided in the neighborhood)*

Goal 12B: Establish a clear, direct pedestrian and bicycle connection between the neighborhood and the Zoo. Work with the National Zoo leadership to explore the possibility of controlled, limited access through the existing gate adjacent to Walter Pierce Park.

Increase the percentage of units that are subsidized affordable housing for low-income households in the neighborhood:

Goal 13A: Support targets that exceed current inclusionary zoning thresholds for development projects that require discretionary approvals.

For example, as part of a community benefits package through the PUD process for new construction, prioritize additional affordable units above the Inclusionary Zoning requirement or fewer affordable units, but larger in size (e.g., three bedrooms) to better serve families of varying size.

Bolstering Community and Expanding Neighborhood Amenities

Goal 14A: Establish an Adams Morgan community garden program.

Identify potential locations for neighborhood community garden plots.

(emphasis on Marie Reed & HD Cooke campuses)

Goal 14B: Enhance underutilized triangle parks to serve as rain gardens, community gardens or pocket parks.

Allow currently underutilized triangle parks and medians to better address stormwater management and incorporate planting that furthers the District's progressive stormwater targets and presents a more aesthetically pleasing environment. Maintenance and management of spaces should be considered when enhancements are planned. *(emphasis on triangle green space at Florida and V St NW as well as Champorama Park)*

Improve the quality and accessibility of existing playgrounds, parks and green spaces in the neighborhood.

Goal 15A: Increase accessibility and age-friendliness of parks and open spaces in the neighborhood.

Ensure parks and open spaces are accessible and include multi-generational programming. *(emphasis on park at Kalorama & Champlain St NW between 2201 Champlain St NW and 2195 Champlain St NW)*

Improve bike and pedestrian access and safety and establish a more connected bicycle lane network.

Goal 16A: Examine the study area to identify locations to potentially locate or improve cycle-tracks, bike lanes, and access to Rock Creek Park.

Implement recommendations from the DC Bicycle Advisory Council to improve neighborhood bicycle infrastructure. *(emphasis on Reed Cooke borders, 16th St, 18th St, Columbia & U St) (emphasis on improving bicycle infrastructure on Euclid, connecting riders to Meridian Hill Park and the existing 15th St Cycle track connecting Adams Morgan to downtown and the National Mall)(emphasis on Harvard St NW connecting Adams Morgan to Rock Creek and the National Zoo)*

Goal 16B: Identify pedestrian and bicycle enhancements and improve connectivity throughout the neighborhood.

The community identified the need to improve bicycle and/or pedestrian safety concerns at key intersections: intersection of 18th Street and Columbia

Road, NW, 19th Street and Columbia Road, NW, and Connecticut Avenue and Kalorama Road, NW.

Coordinate solutions that bring together place making, public space activation, and safety for all users at these critical intersections. *(emphasis for pedestrian enhancements at 18th & Columbia, 16th & Columbia, 18th & Florida)*

Here is a link to the Adams Morgan Vision Framework:

<https://planning.dc.gov/publication/adams-morgan-vision-framework->