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Testimony:

I support the confirmation of Kevin Auger as the Director of Housing and Land Management (“DHLM”).

In my role as a Neighborhood Board member, I’ve reached out to DHLM to better understand future housing initiatives that will utilize City-owned land. Director Designate Auger and Deputy Director Taschner sat down with me on multiple occasions to talk me through what we could expect in the City’s new RFQ process (including what future City Council approvals would be required).

And after all my questions on the specific RFQ were answered, Director Designate Auger took additional time to answer my questions on the different tools and limitations we have in providing financing for affordable housing (which is an extremely dense topic!).

I’m not accustomed to that level of responsiveness from City officials. I get how busy they all are. So I was pleasantly surprised how open and available DHLM under Director Designate Auger has been to an ordinary resident and simple Neighborhood Board member like me.