

## Q24 Finally, is there an issue you feel is important that we did not ask about, or do you have a comment you wish to make? (100 character limit)

Answered: 117 Skipped: 180

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Overall it is a good idea with what is proposed but it is important to not change or alter the community feel with overly large buildings or too much housing. There are plenty of other places to convert into housing that doesn't alter a community center.	11/12/2023 9:57 PM
2	The redevelopment plans that include housing and a building of up to 8 stories would start to ruin the current community feeling in the commercial area. It would start to look like redevelopments in Rockville or Bethesda.	11/12/2023 7:30 PM
3	No	11/12/2023 4:25 PM
4	The ANC should consider only survey responses from the residents they represent, not those collected citywide.	11/12/2023 10:46 AM
5	ANC3/4Gis complicit:sham "AH" public land takings of taxpayer land&funds to create more UNAFFORDABLE	11/11/2023 7:35 PM
6	I am opposed to surplusing the CC Commons site. I support DC's renovating the site and reusing the existing buildings to the extent possible.	11/11/2023 7:10 PM
7	We Do Not need more traffic and people in this area. We have to find parking and have enough traffic to navigate now. Why add more?????	11/11/2023 3:44 PM
8	The library and community should NOT be surplussed! This is an outrage. It MUST remain a library and CC and open-space area only, just improved! And underground parking would be a disaster. It would not be maintained, elevators will fail and older folks will not be able to navigate it well. The ANC needs to fight this surplussing strongly and take it to the council and mayor. Matt Frumin needs to go. We have so many other things to take care. Crime has never been this bad in our neighborhood, we have awful roads and ill-maintained parks and playgrounds, crowded and poorly maintained schools, and now they want to shove bike lanes down our throats and make Connecticut virtually impassable with no parking to support our businesses? And what about these awful new LED streetlights that have been installed incorrectly--they are 10 times too bright and have wrecked the ambiance of our neighborhoods at night! Focus on these issues and a basic, nice renovation and improvement of the library and community center and grounds...and maintain them! Affordable housing is great and is needed..BUT NOT AT THIS SITE THAT WE USE and which SHOULD NOT EVEN BE CONSIDERED for surplussing. Once this gets approved, the mayor's developer buddies will turn our bucolic two blocks into a Bethesda nightmare. Fight the POWER, ANC!	11/9/2023 11:59 AM
9	It is silly to waste so much space for a parking lot. Putting it underground would be so much better.	11/7/2023 10:11 PM
10	I do not support the housing option but if it is forced on us then it should be for first responders and teachers with or without families	11/6/2023 7:12 PM
11	Please make sure the green space/playground/courts are usable when buildings are closed on weekends and holidays	11/6/2023 9:57 AM
12	There is a homelessness crisis in DC. Providing affordable housing should be the #1 priority.	11/5/2023 8:15 PM
13	Parking is already difficult on Connecticut ave, please make it easier and incorporate it with traffic flow.	11/5/2023 12:32 PM
14	FOCUS ON WRAP AROUND MENTAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT ALREADY EXISTS BEFORE YOU ADD MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING	11/4/2023 8:15 PM
15	It is critical that we add more affordable housing in our community. Other issues such as	11/4/2023 4:06 PM

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public transit and school crowding should be addressed in parallel but should not be an excuse to oppose adding housing.

16	I strongly oppose use of community public space for housing	11/3/2023 7:51 PM
17	I oppose affordable housing development and oppose parking development	11/3/2023 5:55 PM
18	I feel this and many other programs of mayor Bowser are being forced down my through regardless of how I feel or say. The Chevy Chase neighborhood is NOT an affordable housing area and if this goes through, I will go and obtain my conceal carry permit to protect my home. We already have a half way house that results in crime such as smash a grand from cars. Those concerns have been if ignored due to the mayor wanting to be reflected	11/2/2023 7:39 PM
19	I would like to see the Safeway or another grocery store expanded to accommodate the growth in the area.	11/2/2023 9:58 AM
20	The plan to construct "private" housing ATOP a "public" resource bakes in competition and conflict--between private tenants and the broader public--over right to and rules for use of onsite "public" resources (e.g., green and gathering spaces, parking, noisy outdoor courts, etc.). Not smart growth.	11/2/2023 12:47 AM
21	Would prefer to see "renovation" other than "redevelopment." Above ground parking is sufficient and I am certain the city will be able to obtain other property for affordable housing.	11/1/2023 1:46 PM
22	Density on the commercial properties on Conn. Ave should remain low and accessible to local companies, not chains.	11/1/2023 1:18 PM
23	I am very concerned about the additional traffic created by a new parking structure and/or housing given the proximity of the redevelopment to Chevy Chase Circle.	10/31/2023 9:32 PM
24	If housing of any kind is built, there should be appropriate underground parking and the current surface parking could be green space	10/31/2023 2:39 PM
25	It is important to me to keep the small town character of Chevy Chase DC.	10/31/2023 2:35 PM
26	It seems to me that the big winners in this project would be the developers.	10/31/2023 1:35 PM
27	I don't support any housing at this site. I am concerned about aggressive begging (which currently happens). I hate that. The people begging (and there is a mentally ill person who yells at the air) and frightens me. And my history with the recreation staff. They are soooo not happy, kind or helpful. When you ask a question they act like they are not interested, so besides Covid I stopped going. I think there should be customer service training and new hires once both buildings are up and running. And please no housing. I understand there are other locations for housing please pick somewhere else.	10/31/2023 1:01 PM
28	Spend more money on ADUs in the community.	10/31/2023 12:34 PM
29	would like to see options for renovating library and community center with affordable housing for workforce families and plentiful outdoor spaces	10/31/2023 10:50 AM
30	I feel like some of the options to choose from for the Library should've been included w Comm Center options.	10/30/2023 6:19 PM
31	SUSTAINABILITY! Reuse materials that are already on site and in the buildings. Re-development of buildings that are fine and functional is not climate-friendly, by definition. Hope the sustainability/climate costs of tearing down existing buildings are considered.	10/30/2023 5:48 PM
32	Please keep this site a public site that benefits our community as it has for many years.	10/30/2023 5:17 PM
33	I am very concerned redevelopment will result in a jackpot for developers, very little afford housing and instead cater to the wealthy already here. The contracts need to ensure this is not a big profit taking opportunity from public land and focuses on public uses. Fat cat developers tend to get their way in DC, and I oppose that.	10/30/2023 2:34 PM
34	Dog space — a small dog park, including for-profit like Bark Social would be great to keep dogs out of other areas and encourage foot traffic.	10/30/2023 1:25 PM
35	Parking concerns for elderly residents in neighborhood are not addressed.	10/29/2023 10:39 PM
36	The answer to 23: I would use parking at the Community Center if it's free. I'm not paying for parking in my own neighborhood. I can find parking on the street for free. I won't pay behind	10/29/2023 8:47 PM

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37	I and are household are opposed to allowing the development of this site for any purpose other than the library and community center.	10/29/2023 7:53 PM
38	I think the District of Columbia should seek alternative locations for housing.	10/29/2023 5:44 PM
39	This is public space, was provisioned for use by ALL citizens of DC, not just Chevy Chase, and must remain public space.	10/29/2023 3:19 PM
40	Given current congestion I adamantly do not support any housing at all of any kind at this site. I do not support an increase in height of buildings. I prioritize developing the library, community center, associated green spaces only. I will not vote for anyone who supports housing here.	10/29/2023 2:43 PM
41	This area has always been a "village". Notable changes would destroy its character.	10/29/2023 11:07 AM
42	I would prefer to see a vision of the buildings first before answering these questions. Keeping surface parking is safer vs underground parking. Since there is no Metro & bus service is being cut, how does one expect people with low income housing to leave in this area.	10/29/2023 10:12 AM
43	This is public land, and I don't appreciate the push to classify it as anything else or to push community members to allow for disingenuous surplus. I also don't feel that there is sufficient parking, transit connectivity, school capacity, etc. to support housing on top of the library/community center, nor do I feel it would be appropriate to the look, feel, or scale of that portion of upper Connecticut. It would take me 1.75 hours to get to my job downtown on public transit, so I'm not sure how individuals in affordable units reliant on public transit would navigate to other parts of the city. I think the idea is well intentioned but not very pragmatic.	10/29/2023 8:45 AM
44	This is an important project. Community input is important. But completing the project is more important.	10/28/2023 8:17 PM
45	I feel VERY strongly that the design and height of any new development in our neighborhood respect the character of our historic area. It should be on a human scale, no more than four stories high and use materials that are in keeping with the neighboring historic blocks on Connecticut Ave.	10/28/2023 5:33 PM
46	While I agree that the Library and Community Center can be improved in order to provide more services to a wider range of people, I am completely opposed to including housing on the site. Cramming housing into a limited space that's already being used for good public purposes is going to be unfair to the new residents!	10/28/2023 4:59 PM
47	Additional housing, especially of all places on Connecticut Ave., is simply crazy, with similarities to the Purple Line fiasco. Beyond simple refurbishment of the library and center at their current height and footprint, I, and everyone I know, will go out of our way to never again vote for any official connected with this adventure.	10/28/2023 4:31 PM
48	Please keep the small community feeling with any renovations / changes. Too many redeveloped areas don't seem to fit in with the surrounding neighborhood.	10/28/2023 4:16 PM
49	Child care center is needed	10/28/2023 11:15 AM
50	I just want to reiterate - housing is critical to inclusive communities and to the economic growth and health of our city. Very supportive!	10/28/2023 9:38 AM
51	Make sure access to the new site is safely accessible by bike or foot. A dedicated bike lane would help.	10/27/2023 6:49 PM
52	Do not change the character of this neighborhood. DC cannot provide sufficient services with current residents.	10/27/2023 5:44 PM
53	A large structure will change the feel of the neighborhood. People come to Chevy Chase for the small town feel. Please don't change that.	10/27/2023 5:28 PM
54	Thank you for getting community input.	10/27/2023 5:18 PM
55	Community and library renovated space should be shared. ANC and other organizations don't need their own private offices—it's a waste of space. Such spaces would be allocated and sit unused most of the time. Swing space could easily be provided in the new community center.	10/27/2023 4:59 PM
56	Security and crime has risen in the area with affordable housing and the cities voucher program needs to be reviewed. More afterschool programs for kids and teens and renovation	10/27/2023 4:02 PM

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	as an option rather than tearing all down	
57	Control the increasing crime in the city and this area. Then start focusing in new development of an area that is serving the community currently.	10/27/2023 12:56 PM
58	My main reason for opposing affordable housing at this site is that I do not understand how Lafayette Elementary can absorb any more children. I also feel there are so many vacant, existing buildings very close by, and I do not understand why these cannot be redeveloped for housing rather than destroying the Chevy Chase Main Street village character.	10/26/2023 2:15 PM
59	I strongly oppose the sale of public land and cherished green space to private developers.	10/25/2023 11:38 PM
60	I don't free safe using underground parking, especially with the rise of criminal activity, so I would prefer to have free surface parking.	10/25/2023 12:16 PM
61	this is an outdated public amenity in an urban space and should be updated for this use w/ greenspace on roof	10/24/2023 8:02 PM
62	Follow-up Survey Question: What proposals do ANC3/4G residents have for affordable housing alternatives to privatizing the Chevy Chase Commons? Surely, we can come up with better proposal(s) that light two candles with one flame. Thank you for seeking our input especially those of us east of Broad Branch who aren't being represented by Janeese George or Matt Frumin.	10/24/2023 5:13 PM
63	What affordable housing options would ANC3/4G survey respondents specifically propose instead of redeveloping the CC Commons? Ex: HomeShares with existing residents would foster community through connection, build mutual support and understanding, offset living expenses, reduce isolation and its associated health risks and create opportunities for mutual learning and growth. With so many educated and well-connected CC residents, the possibilities of building bridges to brighter futures AND preserving our modest town square, the CC Commons, is within reach and a Win-Win-Win for everyone.	10/24/2023 2:12 PM
64	Expanding school facilities, including space for a charter preschool (there's only one West of Rock Creek presently) would be quite beneficial	10/24/2023 12:23 PM
65	There is every reason to renovate the library and community center modestly and affordably, as they are, and possibly "grow up", by adding a third floor only for additional space. What's not necessary is to demolish these important buildings and throw them into a landfill. Further contributing to unchecked waste that fuels climate change. Ward 3 and Chevy Chase Specifically needs social housing as outlined by Janeese Lewis George. Further we believe that the best location for social housing is at the Wells Fargo Bank across the street and not on the plot of land that currently houses the library and community center and it outdoor green spaces that must be protected. Further the important community programs like ballet and fencing and the outdoor spaces and children that use cccc and library as a safe after school haven will need as little Disruption as possibe. Ward 3 and Chevy Chase Specifically needs social housing as outlined by Janeese Lewis George.	10/24/2023 10:10 AM
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67	Re: the housing question: I support keeping public land in public hands. We believe that Ward 3 and Chevy Chase Specifically needs social housing as outlined by Janeese Lewis George. Further we believe that the best location for social housing is at the Wells Fargo Bank across the street and not on the plot of land that currently houses the library and community center and it outdoor green spaces that must be protected. There is every reason to renovate the library and community center modestly and affordably, as they are, and possibly "grow up", by adding a third floor only for additional space. What's not necessary is to demolish these important buildings and throw them into a landfill. Further contributing to unchecked waste that fuels climate change. Further the important community programs like ballet and fencing and	10/24/2023 9:35 AM

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68	Important need for more space in local public schools and much greater investment in transit throughout the neighborhood to complement redevelopment. Also concerned about recent reporting on sweetheart deals between DC city officials and developers - strict oversight and transparency needed.	10/24/2023 9:34 AM
69	The neighbor should be welcome to creating diversity and welcome people from all incomes races nationalities and backgrounds. This is what makes our city so great a mixing bowl of heritage and culture.	10/23/2023 8:55 PM
70	If the Chevy Chase Community Center and Library site is redeveloped all at once, both facilities will be absent in the community for the duration of the construction. What is the overall timeline of the total redevelopment and what arrangements would be put in place for temporary accommodations?	10/23/2023 7:56 PM
71	A good library and a good community center can be the same facility, provided there's enough room for meeting space.	10/23/2023 7:27 PM
72	Infrastructure! If we got 10 new families, conservatively, in a new apartment building, that's easily 20 kids. Lafayette is already at/over capacity. Ditto water/sewer/roadways and parking etc.	10/23/2023 2:23 PM
73	100 affordable units at the 30-80% medium family income	10/23/2023 11:06 AM
74	Thank you for approaching this with equity in mind.	10/23/2023 9:03 AM
75	This is public space and is intended for the common use and enjoyment of the neighborhood. It is NOT INTENDED FOR HOUSING OF ANY KIND. Stop stealing our precious public space so developers can make money. Our library and community center are well used and well loved. They need renovations, not an overhaul. There is an excess of housing being built at Friendship Heights and up Conn at the Ritz Carlton residences. They're all empty. Stop.	10/23/2023 7:57 AM
76	Why not buy and use empty commercial space for affordable housing with councilors, medical, childcare etc	10/22/2023 9:50 PM
77	There is no metro stop directly in this area. "Affordable housing" does not make sense - how would people travel to their jobs?	10/22/2023 8:05 PM
78	As a family in the neighborhood - we use the library frequently, we sit on the benches, we play on the courts. It would be a real loss to have the emphasis on the site shift from its current use.	10/22/2023 8:04 PM
79	I think it is very important that the community center be open until 10 the evenings and on weekends to serve the community. There needs to be a way to attract the community to use the facilities.	10/22/2023 8:02 PM
80	Why have the issue of affordable housing been considered with other new libraries, land for sale with no functioning business presence?	10/22/2023 7:05 PM
81	Public school already overcrowded	10/22/2023 4:16 PM
82	This 1.56 acres of public land should remain in public hands for 100% public use. No apartments--affordable or luxury-- should be built here. Taller buildings will destroy the low, village-like appeal that makes these blocks so inviting to all.	10/22/2023 3:56 PM
83	The existing facilities need to be renovated, and maybe have a third floor for some other features. We desperately need true affordable housing but there are other sites for this in Ward 3.	10/22/2023 3:34 PM
84	I think people who do not support the project are privileged and probably never use the library or community center. The existing buildings are a blight on an otherwise lovely neighborhood. We need affordable housing and green spaces. There will always be those who fear change even if it is for the greater good.	10/22/2023 3:06 PM
85	Existing housing complexes in DC need to be converted to affordable housing and we need to increase the minimum wage so everyone has a living wage. We do not need more apartment buildings period.	10/22/2023 2:44 PM



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86	Build baby build!	10/20/2023 8:20 PM
87	I believe a redeveloped site with housing and taller buildings could be a "gateway" to other taller structures close to Chevy Chase Circle, and I don't want to see that part of Connecticut Ave lose its smaller-scale charm and eventually become like over-urbanized Bethesda. I support affordable housing. Just not there! Why not slightly further south on Connecticut Ave? Or Friendship Heights where there's metro?	10/20/2023 5:10 PM
88	I am concerned about adding additional housing without addressing problems of traffic, parking and overcrowding of schools, which are already problems in our area. I do not want 80 foot buildings in our neighborhood and we should be increasing green space, not adding bigger buildings and more concrete and more traffic and pollution.	10/20/2023 3:20 PM
89	I'm concerned about turning decisions over to a private contractor who doesn't listen to neighborhood concerns.	10/19/2023 9:49 PM
90	6-7 stories is too short, build it taller for more housing	10/19/2023 8:19 PM
91	I would maintain the low-rise character of area north of Livingston St NW. There are 1,400 new housing units planned for upper Wisconsin Ave at and around the Friendship Metro stop. I do not see the need for additional housing above Livingston St NW along Connecticut Ave NW.	10/19/2023 1:13 PM
92	Surface parking should remain. Green space should be expanded by combining library and community center into one low building.	10/19/2023 12:15 PM
93	I would like more emphasis on retail, cafes is a great option. I am in support of affordable housing, but my priority is to completely rehaul and update our library. Thank you.	10/19/2023 10:12 AM
94	Any large trees on site should be protected.	10/18/2023 7:06 PM
95	I believe that the land should not be surplussed and should be completely devoted to a new library, community center and improved public lands. No housing should be built on the public commons.	10/18/2023 1:53 PM
96	I have lived in Barnaby Woods since 1985. We raised our 2 kids here and are devoted community and business space on "The Avenue." Upgrade the library and comm center for all, but pls do not add tall buildings and housing—not the best use of space. Post-pandemic, this is not the way to revitalization. Other sites that already have tall buildings make more sense for apartments. I do not support selling out our community space, which hurts everyone and unnecessarily changes the feel of the community/business center. Who is pushing for this? I've supported the mayor on many fronts, but NOT this one. Please do not sacrifice public property for this misguided project. Thanks for listening.	10/17/2023 3:33 PM
97	This is a divisive issue. Many in the neighborhood oppose a high rise. The city is irresponsible.	10/17/2023 9:32 AM
98	I believe the Mayor's office is simply going through the motions of soliciting comment but made up its mind at the beginning of the process that the site would include "affordable" housing. I also fear (and believe) at the end of the day, housing will be built and most of it will be market value; the developers will meet whatever minimum requirement that will be imposed, for the minimum amount of time and that ultimately, the housing will not be "affordable." I am a former public servant who passionately believes in government. But based on how the Deputy Mayor's office has run this process, I have no confidence in the outcome.	10/16/2023 11:23 PM
99	100% of the site is used. It is in NO WAY surplus.	10/16/2023 6:13 PM
100	Too much traffic now. Side streets cannot support more vehicles. The Circle during rush hour is dangerous.	10/16/2023 3:52 PM
101	Safe place to park and leave bikes	10/15/2023 9:51 PM
102	I am very concerned about the low income, subsidized housing component of the proposal because it will turn the Chevy Chase community into a magnet for crime and drug trafficking as well as generating traffic congestion that the area infrastructure cannot accommodate.	10/15/2023 1:40 PM
103	I support affordable housing in the neighborhood in the strongest possible way	10/15/2023 2:21 AM
104	Should include as much sustainable measures as possible - eg solar, geothermal, wind	10/14/2023 8:10 PM
105	Sunlight, trees, and places for children are what make CCDC special. Don't ruin it.	10/14/2023 1:42 PM
106	I am most concerned about ther "upzoning" that may be part of the plan, which would result in	10/14/2023 1:02 PM

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completely changing the character of the neighborhood to the advantage of developers, who have spent lots of money lobbying the city council and mayor.

107	I think it is crucial for more people to understand about the history of Chevy Chase Land Company and restrictive covenants. We as a community have a duty to do "fair share" and be inclusive. I think very low income senior housing will be more accepted. Thank you for doing the survey and for your service on the ANC.	10/14/2023 12:26 PM
108	Financial Condition of the project	10/14/2023 11:49 AM
109	This will be jammed down the residents throats. All of the meetings and survey are window dressing in order for the mayor to be able to say we went through a notice and comment process.	10/14/2023 11:25 AM
110	Crime and over crowding is a concern.	10/14/2023 11:17 AM
111	Full disclosure of who makes the decisions!	10/13/2023 7:24 PM
112	We have enough housing and affordable housing in this area. Why don't you focus on turning all the empty office space into affordable housing?	10/13/2023 6:33 PM
113	Lafayette and Deal MS are both full. Please make sure this is taken into consideration.	10/13/2023 5:54 PM
114	The question about taller and narrower buildings and more open space versus shorter and wider buildings with less open space is something I cannot truly answer unless I see the design. I believe we can accommodate substantial numbers of affordable housing and have buildings of appropriate scale and style and have sufficient open space, but it all must be designed and talked through.	10/13/2023 4:24 PM
115	Bring more restaurants and maybe plays to the area. I also think the affordable housing should be 20% max	10/13/2023 2:57 PM
116	we are not racist or narrow minded. we want to preserve this community amenity. Great to put more housing in another more conducive location	10/13/2023 1:50 PM
117	Other DC neighborhoods have wonderful libraries and community recreation and indoor spaces (Palisades, Cleveland Park Library, Tenley Library). Chevy Chase deserves this too. This space should be designed for the community to use -- not redeveloped for any other purpose.	10/13/2023 11:40 AM