THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA 2027 CAMPUS PLAN

Update to ANC5A
October 28, 2026





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WHAT IS A CAMPUS PLAN?

Zoning Requirement For Colleges And Universities In Washington, DC

- DC colleges and universities located in residential zones are subject to “Campus Plan” provisions of the DC Zoning Regulations (DCMR Subtitle X Section 101.1)
- Campus Plans are required to be submitted periodically for review and approval by the DC Zoning Commission to address University, Community, and District priorities
  - Catholic University’s Campus Plan has a 15-year term
- Zoning Commission review of a Campus Plan is aimed at ensuring that impacts on surrounding residential neighborhoods are effectively managed
- Once a Campus Plan is approved, each development project or change in use is subject to additional public hearing review and approval by the Zoning Commission (known as “Further Processing”)
- Amendments and modifications to an approved Campus Plan also require public hearing review and approval by the Zoning Commission
- ANC5A provided “great weight” as part of Zoning Commission’s review of the Campus Plan, Further Processing, and any Campus Plan amendments or modifications

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WHAT DOES A CAMPUS PLAN ADDRESS?

Evaluates long-term plans for a campus in the context of its surrounding neighborhoods

Pursuant to the DC Zoning Regulations, Campus Plans address a wide range of uses and activities on campus, including the following key considerations:

- **Student Enrollment and Campus Populations**
  - Projected number of students, faculty, and staff on campus
- **Development and Campus Character**
  - Location, height, square footage, and use of all potential new development; proposed streetscape, open space, landscape, signage and identity elements; historic preservation considerations



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- **Student Housing and On-Campus Life**
  - Proposed locations for student housing and projected number of beds, and facilities to support a vibrant living and learning campus environment
- **Neighborhood Quality of Life Issues**
  - Engagement with neighborhood residents and initiatives with students who reside off-campus to equip them to be responsible members of the community and promote positive, mutually-beneficial relationships
- **Transportation and Parking**
  - Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies aimed at promoting sustainable transportation options and reducing the use of single-occupancy vehicles and demand for on-campus parking





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- Visit the project website:

https://facilities.catholic.edu/cpdc/index.html

- Provide feedback on our campus input portal
- Participate in Community Conversation on **October 29 at 5:00pm** (and join us for the annual Halloween on Campus event!)
  - Pryzbyla Center Room 321
- Attend future ANC meetings for update presentations
- Reach out to your ANC Commissioners as the ANC considers proposed Plan in early 2027
- Contact us at any time: rutherfords@cua.edu

