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Subject: Correction to Today's Planning Department Testimony

Dear President Walton and members of the Board,

This afternoon I misspoke when I said that the Planning Commission did not call for a working group on group housing. In fact, the Planning Commission did recommend the following (Recommendation #9 in Resolution 21071):

For the Department to consider establishing a Working Group to further discuss Group Housing intent, best practices, and future legislation.

Please note that this was a direction to Planning Department staff to consider convening this working group, and was intended to help shape future legislation. Not to impact the ordinance that you voted on today. In addition to that recommendation, the Planning Commission also recommended the following modifications when they voted unanimously to recommend approval:

1. Increase the common space requirement to 0.5 square feet of common space for every square foot of private space, instead of the proposed 0.25.
2. Require at least one kitchen within 15% of the common space, instead of the proposed 50%
3. Revise the minimum number of kitchens to be at least one communal kitchen for every 15 Group Housing rooms, instead of the proposed 20.
4. In addition to Student Housing and 100% affordable housing, also exempt units protected under Section 41.3 of the Hotel Conversion Ordinance from the common space requirements.
5. Exempt those organizations like Family House from the common space requirements.
6. Allow academic institutions to provide limited cooking facilities.
7. Define metrics for communal kitchens.
8. Exclude the single-room occupancy aspect from this specific legislation with the intent to continue discussions in the future.



I sincerely apologize for misrepresenting the Planning Commission's action today. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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