

**From:** Crusade For Voters  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#); [Marty Jewell](#); [Jonathan Davis](#)  
**Subject:** Letter from the Richmond Crusade for Voters  
**Date:** Sunday, December 12, 2021 7:19:41 PM  
**Attachments:** [Richmond Redistricting \(1\).docx](#)

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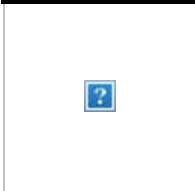
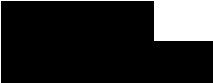
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Please send to all of the City Council Members.

Thanks.

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*Carol Davis*





December 10, 2021

Dear President Newbille and members of Council,

We have recently learned that the City Council is considering an expedited paper to establish the process and criteria for redistricting in the city. We have concerns that this process was not firmly established months ago, will not be transparent, and now is being rushed to comply with constitutionally mandated deadlines that the city simply cannot meet. In the past, redistricting has been a murky process with little public input. It is the duty of the City Council to govern better.

As it stands now, it seems that members of Council will be able to draw lines behind closed doors. This is unacceptable. We have several suggestions to ensure a fair and transparent public process.

First, Council must slow down this process. Residents need time to meaningfully engage in reapportionment, and that engagement cannot be curtailed because Council has not acted expeditiously in determining their process for redistricting.

Second, the enabling legislation must include requirements that make the new districts discernible for residents and should mandate both compactness and contiguity. This will aid in ensuring that communities of interest are kept together and that residents can easily identify which district they belong to.

Third, new maps must be drawn publicly with input from residents and interested community organizations. Ideally, the city would establish a commission that includes residents to draw maps in public meetings, much like the state's redistricting commission. Fairfax has already established such a process and could be used as a model. We realize that the City may not be in a position to establish such a commission for reapportionment this year as it is running late in the process. At a minimum, the City Council should establish an ad-hoc committee that includes Council and relevant city staff, and such committee must meet publicly and draw maps live. In these meetings, there must be ample opportunity for public comment and community engagement.

Richmond is at a critical moment in its history. The census has revealed monumental demographic shifts, and the City must be deliberate in crafting new districts that serve our residents. We must cast off the old way of doing things and create a better process that serves all Richmond residents.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Davis  
President

P.O. Box 25302 Richmond, Virginia 23260

**From:** Deedra Goff  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Speed on Hawthorne Ave.  
**Date:** Monday, November 15, 2021 3:28:08 PM

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Hello-

I live on the [REDACTED]. As a mother of three children under the age of six, I feel the speed on our block especially once you round the corner near the pool is excessive. I'm in full support of the traffic calming measures that are being requested (speed bump).

Thank you

DeEdra Goff  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Thomas Burr  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Safety measures for 2800-2900 Hawthorne Ave  
**Date:** Monday, November 15, 2021 3:40:30 PM

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Hello,

I am writing as a homeowner and resident on the [REDACTED] to let you know that speeding is a major safety issue on our street. Many drivers use our blocks as a "cut through" between Chamberlyane and Brookland Park Blvd, and fly down our street, which in some places is lined on both sides with parked cars. There have been several instances of vehicles being damaged due to this excessive speeding, but as a father of 3, the property damage is not what concerns me most.

We have several young children on our blocks, who can often be seen playing in front yards or on sidewalks. This is not to mention the many pedestrians, cyclists, or skateboarders who frequent our blocks. Please do everything you can do to keep our blocks safe! I am one of many residents and neighbors who is writing in favor of any and all safety measures (speed tables, etc) being considered.

Thank you,  
T.C. Burr

**From:** Marty Guthrie  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Item 6: 2800-2900 block of Hawthorne Ave. (November 16 meeting)  
**Date:** Monday, November 15, 2021 4:38:45 PM

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To the City Council Land Use Committee

My name is Martha (Marty) Guthrie and I live at [REDACTED]. I'm writing in support of the traffic calming petition you have received from the residents of the 2800-2900 blocks of Hawthorne Ave. Traffic speeds on these two blocks are often excessive. For the safety of residents, especially our neighborhood children, we hope that you can approve the installation of speed tables to slow things down. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,  
~Marty Guthrie  
[REDACTED]

Marty Sedestrom Guthrie  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joni Garrison  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Speed Tables for Hawthorne Ave  
**Date:** Monday, November 15, 2021 9:32:48 PM

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This email is for item 6 for the Land Use meeting on Nov 16 at 3p (speed tables on Hawthorne Ave).

Id like to add my voice to the neighbors expressing concern about the amount of speeding cars that come flying down Hawthorne Ave. We believe that having speed bumps would stop the speed of the cars who use our street as a cut through between neighborhoods.

Joni Garrison

Resident [REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Pechin  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Hawthorne Ave Speed Table initiative  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 6:53:50 AM

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November 15, 2021

### **Hawthorne Ave Speed Table initiative**

I write to submit a comment in favor of the proposed speed tables for the 2800 and 2900 blocks Hawthorne Ave, Richmond, VA.:

My name is Linda Pechin. I live on the [REDACTED]. I am in full support of speed tables being placed on both the 2800 and 2900 blocks of Hawthorne. Traffic from Brookland Park Blvd and Chamberlayne Ave use these two blocks as a cut through around traffic lights and intersections. Many of those cars speed and drive recklessly. I believe this speeding will eventually end tragically for someone. Please help our community reach a level of safety that allows us to comfortably travel on our street and sidewalks. I appreciate your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Linda Pechin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Timothy Luckritz Marquis  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Finance and Economic Development Committee comments--Hawthorne Ave speed bump  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 8:26:55 AM

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To the members of the Finance and Economic Development Committee,

I write in advance of your 11/16 meeting in favor of installing a speed bump on the 2900 block of Hawthorne Avenue. All too often, cars and trucks proceed down the 2900 block with excessive speed, endangering other cars and pedestrians. Especially in portions where cars are parked at the curb, the street is too narrow to accommodate both directions of traffic, and drivers need to go slow enough to allow passage for cars traveling in the other direction. Pedestrian traffic includes children, families with strollers, runners, bikers, and people trying to get to work on Chamberlayne Avenue. A speed bump would slow down traffic and dissuade drivers from using Hawthorne as a thoroughfare for bypassing Chamberlayne.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,  
Tim Luckritz Marquis

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Tim Luckritz Marquis  
pronouns: he/him/his  




**From:** Christine Luckritz Marquis  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Traffic Calming on 2800-2900 Hawthorne Ave  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 8:29:24 AM

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I write in support of installing a speed bump or two on the 2800-2900 blocks of Hawthorne Ave. As a resident on the [REDACTED], speeding is a major safety issue on our street, as cars frequently attempt to avoid traffic on Chamberlayne by speeding down these blocks as an alternate route. I am among the signatories and many supporters of implementing traffic calming measures, and hope you will take these concerns seriously.

Sincerely,  
Christine

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Christine Luckritz Marquis  
Pronouns: She/Her

**From:** Tyler Tillman  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** support for Ord. No. 2021-301  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 9:56:06 AM

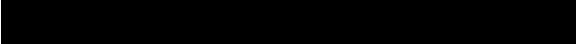
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Good afternoon,

I write this letter in support of the proposed ordinance for installing traffic calming tables along the blocks of Hawthorne Ave. Over the years this area has had a large increase in traffic and with it multiple cases of speeding. Just a few years ago both of my cars, parked in front of my house, were hit by a distracted driver and ultimately totaled one of my vehicles. We no longer park on our street for fear of another incident like this. Due to the speeding traffic along our street, I don't allow my children to play in the front yard anymore. Something needs to be done to reduce the speeding along our street, and I hope that this ordinance will pass and help our neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration,

Tyler Tillman  


**From:** Emily Ferlis  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Randy ODeil](#)  
**Subject:** Comments for meeting on speed bumps  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 3:15:07 PM

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Hello,

My apologies for the lateness of this message but I thought I could speak to these points during today's November land use meeting. Could you please share these comments?

Thank you,

Emily

Hello, I live at [REDACTED] and am very concerned about the speeding and reckless driving that I have witnessed.

There are two preschools within a short walking distance from Hawthorne Avenue, including one that is one block away. We walk our three year old son and seven month old daughter to this preschool every day and have almost been a victim of speeding incidents. The speeding and reckless driving on Hawthorne poses a major safety risk to the small children who walk to these preschools in the neighborhood.

In addition, there is a park with a playground and public swimming pool one block from Hawthorne, which attracts many pedestrians, the majority of whom are children. There is also two churches within a two block radius.

The majority of the speeding and reckless driving that I have witnessed occurs between three and six pm, when you see many children outside and walking in the area. I would estimate that 80 percent of traffic is speeding and cutting through Hawthorne to avoid traffic lights on Chamberlayne Avenue, and is very reckless.

There are speed bumps on Hawthorne on the other side of Brookland Parkway, but they do not continue on Hawthorne, despite the preschools and parks on this side of the street.

The addition of speed humps would not impact first responders as the fire house has direct street access to Brookland Parkway.

Thank you for your consideration. We think the speeding creates a major safety risk to the

children in the area, due to the high number of preschools, parks, and the public swimming pool.

**From:** [Stokes, Kiya A. - City Council](#)  
**To:** [David Williams](#); [Reid, Candice D. - Clerk's Office](#); [Warren Jr., Richard A. - Clerk's Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Lambert, Ann-Frances - City Council](#); [Braxton, Lisa - Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Objection to Ordinance 3027-21 Phone:804 690 1601  
**Date:** Monday, December 6, 2021 10:18:26 AM  
**Attachments:** [Agenda \(68\).pdf](#)  
**Importance:** High

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Thanks for your email. I've looped in city clerk Candice Reid and her team.

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Candice,

Mr. Williams is talking about Ord. 2021-327, which is agenda item #18 for today's 1:30pm planning commission meeting. can your team assist him with getting the link for the meeting?

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**From:** David Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 5, 2021 10:12 PM  
**To:** Stokes, Kiya A. - City Council [REDACTED] David Williams  
[REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Lambert, Ann-Frances - City Council [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Objection to Ordinance 3027-21 [REDACTED]

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Ms Stokes,

I was contacted and offered the opportunity to attend the Dec 6 Meeting in regards to 509 & 5091/2 Lincoln Ave. I strongly do not agree with the request to place 2 houses in a lot that is too narrow. One house may be feasible but definitely not two. I was contacted and said I would be receiving the link to attend the meeting virtually. I have not received the link. Could you forward the link to me that I may attend the meeting and make my objection. Thank you.

David Williams, Owner  
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Stokes, Kiya A. - City Council [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Lambert, Ann-Frances - City Council [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tue, Nov 30, 2021 6:49 pm  
**Subject:** RE: Objection to Ordinance 3027-21 Phone: [REDACTED]

Mr. Williams. Your objection has been received and duly noted

**From:** David Williams [REDACTED]

**Date:** November 19, 2021 at 7:57:02 PM EST

**To:** "Lambert, Ann-Frances - City Council" [REDACTED]

**Cc:** CityWebManager <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Objection to Ordinance 3027-21 [REDACTED]

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From: David Williams

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Message:

Please accept and insert this note as an objection to the building plan of 509 and 509 1/2 Lincoln Ave. I am David Williams, owner of Captain Homes LLC. I own 2 homes in Washington Park. Myself and the neighbors on my block strongly object to 2 houses being built on the lot beside my house. The properties are not conforming to the neighborhood and the lot is not big enough for 2 houses. In viewing the plans all 3 houses are only 3 feet apart at the property line. It is ridiculous. I just finished a building project in Church Hill and was told I had to be 5 feet from the property line. I own the property at [REDACTED]. The proposed houses are planned to be 3 feet from my property line. Opening my car door in my driveway I would be standing right up to the proposed house. Walking from the passenger side of the car I could easily be considered a burglar or peeping tom. As crazy as it sounds it could be a dangerous situation. I can understand one house on the property but not 2. My lot is wide enough to put another house or 2 on it but I would never be that selfish to crowd my property with another house and take away the integrity of the neighborhood. I have talked with my neighbors and we all object to the proposed plan for 509 Lincoln Ave. Please confirm my objection to the plan and make sure it is entered into the meeting for objection to the project. If this is not the proper procedure to object to the plan please advise me of another way. My lot is wide enough to put another house or 2 on it but I would never be that selfish to crowd my property with another house and take away the integrity of the neighborhood. I have talked with my neighbors and we all object to the proposed plan for 509 Lincoln Ave. Please confirm my objection to the plan and make sure it is entered into the meeting for objection to the project. If this is not the proper procedure to object to the plan please advise me of another way. My lot is wide enough to put another house or 2 on it but I would never be that selfish to crowd my property with another house and take away the integrity of the neighborhood. I have talked with my neighbors and we all object to the proposed plan for 509 Lincoln Ave. Please confirm my objection to the plan and make sure it is entered into the meeting for objection to the project. If this is not the proper procedure to object to the plan please advise me of another way. If this is not the proper procedure to object to the plan please advise me of another way. If this is not the proper procedure to object to the plan please advise me of another way.

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**From:** [Saunders, Richard L. - PDR](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** RE: River City Roll Letter of Support  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 7, 2021 3:35:57 PM

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Thank you Mr. Gilliam. This was heard at Planning Commission yesterday, and was referred to the City Council with a favorable recommendation. I am copying the Clerk's office so that your support may be shared with City Council.

**Richard L. Saunders III**  
**Planner, Land Use Administration Division**  
**Secretary to the City Planning Commission**  
**Dept. of Planning & Development Review**  
**City of Richmond, VA**  
Phone: 804-646-5648  
Email: [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 7, 2021 2:47 PM  
**To:** Saunders, Richard L. - PDR [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** River City Roll Letter of Support

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**Richmond City Council and Planning Department Members,**

**Please take the following email as supporting documentation from a resident of the Cookie Factory Lofts who is in favor of River City Roll being allowed to host additional outdoor events at their location including concerts and farmers markets. Many residents of the Cookie Factory Lofts are loyal customers of River City Roll and enjoy attending community events like these. After this last 18 months, we owe it to all of our local small businesses in the area for making it through the pandemic and providing services and activities like this to their community. This neighborhood is special because residents can walk to events like this and the more options people have the better. Thank you for your consideration and I would appreciate your support of this.**

**Regards,**

**John Gilliam, Cookie Factory Lofts Resident**



**From:** Linda Pechin  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Hawthorne Ave Speed Table Initiative  
**Date:** Sunday, December 12, 2021 2:04:48 PM

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December 12, 2021

### **Hawthorne Ave Speed Table initiative**

I support the proposed speed tables to be located on the 2800 and 2900 blocks of Hawthorne Ave, Richmond, VA.

Car, motorcycle, and truck traffic use these two blocks as a shortcut around traffic congestion at the intersection of Brookland Park Boulevard and Chamberlayne Ave. Some drivers use Hawthorne Ave as a main thoroughfare rather than driving on Chamberlayne Ave. Many drivers speed and drive recklessly.

Please help improve the safety of our neighborhood streets and sidewalks by approving the installation of speed tables.

Sincerely,  
Linda Pechin


**From:** Marty Guthrie  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Item 5 on Consent Agenda; ORD 2021-301  
**Date:** Sunday, December 12, 2021 2:44:44 PM

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To the City Council:

My name is Martha (Marty) Guthrie and I live at [REDACTED]. I'm writing in support of installing speed tables on the 2800-2900 blocks of Hawthorne Ave. Traffic speeds on these two blocks are often excessive. For the safety of residents, especially our neighborhood children, we urge you to support the installation of speed tables to slow things down. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,  
~Marty Guthrie  
[REDACTED]

Marty Sedestrom Guthrie  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael K. Lease  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Kim Wolfe](#)  
**Subject:** ORD.2021-301  
**Date:** Sunday, December 12, 2021 3:41:09 PM

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To Whom it May Concern,

I'm writing in support of ORD.2021-301, an initiative to add speed tables to Hawthorne Ave between West Brookland Park Blvd and the southern terminus of Dupont Circle. Given the number of children and pets on these blocks, as well as the proximity to the pool, I think speed tables are important and potentially life saving.

I hope that during your review you'll be given the opportunity to see petitions that were circulated. The support for these measures was nearly unanimous.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and for your service to the city of Richmond.

Very best,  
Michael

**From:** Joni Garrison  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** City Council Meeting Dec 13th  
**Date:** Sunday, December 12, 2021 8:55:52 PM

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Item #5: Ord. 2021-301

I'd like to add my support for the need for speed tables on Hawthorne Ave between Brookland Park Blvd and DuPont Circle.

We live on the [REDACTED] and cars consistently speed down our street as a cut through to access the neighborhoods beyond Overbrook Rd. It is dangerous and would easily be assisted by a few speed bumps. We hope you will consider this simple solution to a large problem for our neighborhood.

Blessings,  
Joni Garrison

**From:** family.bartels@gmail.com  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Speed table Hawthorne Ave  
**Date:** Monday, December 13, 2021 5:03:13 AM

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I'm writing in support of a speed table to be placed on the 2800-2900 blocks of Hawthorne avenue. We bought our home at [REDACTED] 4 years ago and have seen frequent and excessive speeding down a narrow one way curved street. The battery park pool and the adjacent park makes the area busy with families and young children. We've personally witnessed our neighbors' cars being hit while parked in front of their own home due to speeding/reckless driving. This addition would make the street not only safer for those of us that live on the block but also those traveling to and from the park/pool.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.  
Amy and Josh Bartels  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Thomas Burr  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** City council meeting - Hawthorne Ave  
**Date:** Monday, December 13, 2021 6:35:04 AM

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Hello - I am writing in support of the item below, which will be discussed in today's city council meeting.

I am a father of three young children. We love our block and love living in the city of Richmond. However, due to the location of our blocks ( [REDACTED] ), it often serves as a "cut through" between Brooklyn's Brookland Park Blvd and chamberlayne Ave. This presents a great danger to the many young children who live here.

Please install the speed tables asap!

T.C. Burr

5. ORD. 2021-301

To install an appropriate number of speed tables to be determined by the Department of Public Works in Hawthorne Avenue between West Brookland Park Boulevard and the southern terminus of Dupont Circle

**From:** Christine Luckritz Marquis  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Speed Bump Request  
**Date:** Monday, December 13, 2021 8:39:08 AM

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I write in support of installing a speed bump or two on the 2800-2900 blocks of Hawthorne Ave. As a resident on the [REDACTED], speeding is a major safety issue on our street, as cars frequently attempt to avoid traffic on Chamberlayne by speeding down these blocks as an alternate route. I am among the signatories and many supporters of implementing traffic calming measures, and hope you will take these concerns seriously.

Sincerely,  
Christine

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Christine Luckritz Marquis  
Pronouns: She/Her

**From:** Kimberly Wolfe  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** ORD.2021-301  
**Date:** Monday, December 13, 2021 9:43:30 AM

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Dear City Council,

I am writing to express my support of ORD.2021-301 to add speed tables to the 2800-2900 blocks of Hawthorne Ave. With many families, small children, and pets on these blocks, plus pedestrian traffic due to the proximity to the Battery Park pool and park, speeding is especially dangerous in this area.

We appreciate your reviewing this request which was set in motion via a petition signed by nearly all residents of these blocks. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Kimberly Wolfe



# Elkhardt Rd Community Against Proposed C-Store Next to Elkhardt Middle School

We residents of Elkhardt Rd community are incredibly honored and fortunate to host a brand new 64.5 million dollar school for 1,500 of our middle school kids in our neighborhood. This monumental public investment will not only uplift the face of our community and provide education to our children, but also uplift the morale and safety of our community.

The proposed rezoning will DESTROY the sense of community and spirit of inclusive education we are hoping for our children to thrive in. We residents firmly REJECT the rezoning of the proposed convenience store as the proximity of said facility to the children at Elkhardt Middle School is irresponsible for many reasons, a few of which have been listed below.

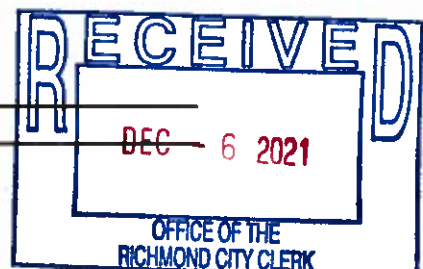
We residents firmly believe that,

- It is irresponsible to have a store selling addictive substances such as alcohol and cigarettes in such close proximity to our middle school children. Children this age are incredibly vulnerable and impressionable and selling alcohol and tobacco in such close proximity endangers vulnerable children.
- The City of Richmond has heavily invested in increasing public safety, however, robberies, loitering, slider crimes, and violent crimes often happen at such stores. As parents, we believe that the likelihood of said crimes spilling over towards the middle school or involving middle schoolers is much higher if this store is built.
- Based on its location on the side of the road, this building will attract many homeless, idle, and dangerous people who typically linger around such stores, many of which may be drinking or on other substances and may harass our middle school age girls and boys. These incidents are dangerous to the physical and mental health of our children and as parents we cannot advocate for any building that would invite unduly harm to our children.
- Within a 500 and 1000 feet radius of Elkhardt Middle School, there are many convenience stores that currently meet the needs of our community without jeopardizing the safety of our children.
- No members of the local Hispanic community have been asked to show involvement in this rezoning process. We residents of Elkhardt Rd community respect our Hispanic neighbors many of which have children who will be attending Elkhardt Middle School. Such neglect is inexcusable.

We residents firmly prioritize the safety of our children over all else and believe the proposed rezoning will inevitably be accompanied by crime, dangerous unwanted people who may verbally or sexually harass our children, uncleanliness, and jeopardize the intellectual capacity of students who may be influenced by said people.

Name:  
Sign:

Chrisbrown Thornton  
Chrisbrown Thornton



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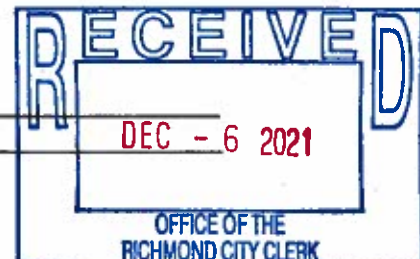
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**From:** [Nichols, Pamela E. - Clerk's Office](#)  
**To:** [Reid, Candice D. - Clerk's Office](#); [Warren Jr., Richard A. - Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Mayor's Office Opposition Mail for C-Store next to River City Middle School  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 7, 2021 8:36:15 AM  
**Attachments:** [13 Residents - C-Store Rezoning Opposition Mail.pdf](#)  
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**From:** Robinson, Terelle - Mayor's Office  
**Sent:** Monday, December 6, 2021 5:20 PM  
**To:** Isley, Jamie N. - Clerk's Office [REDACTED]; Nichols, Pamela E. - Clerk's Office [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Mayor's Office Opposition Mail for C-Store next to River City Middle School

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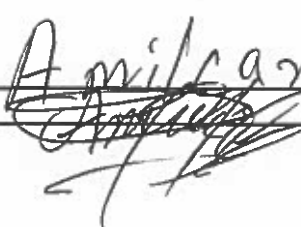
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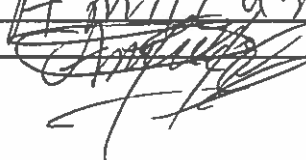
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## COMUNIDAD DE ELKHARDT RD CONTRA LA TIENDA C PROPUESTA JUNTO A LA ESCUELA SECUNDARIA ELKHARDT

Nosotros, los residentes de la comunidad de Elkhardt Rd, nos sentimos increíblemente honrados y afortunados de albergar una nueva escuela de 64.5 millones de dólares para 1,500 de nuestros niños de secundaria en nuestro vecindario. Esta monumental inversión pública no solo elevará el rostro de nuestra comunidad y brindará educación a nuestros niños, sino que también elevará la moral y la seguridad de nuestra comunidad.

La rezonificación propuesta DESTRUIRÁ el sentido de comunidad y el espíritu de educación inclusiva en el que esperamos que prosperen nuestros niños. Nosotros, los residentes, RECHAZAMOS firmemente la rezonificación de la tienda de conveniencia propuesta ya que la proximidad de dicha instalación a los niños de la escuela secundaria Elkhardt es irresponsable. por muchas razones, algunas de las cuales se enumeran a continuación.

Los residentes creemos firmemente que,

- Es irresponsable tener una tienda que venda sustancias adictivas como alcohol y cigarrillos tan cerca de nuestros niños de secundaria. Los niños de esta edad son increíblemente vulnerables e impresionables y vender alcohol y tabaco en una proximidad tan cercana pone en peligro a los niños vulnerables.
- La ciudad de Richmond ha invertido mucho en aumentar la seguridad pública, sin embargo, los robos, el merodeo y los delitos violentos a menudo ocurren en estas tiendas. Como padres, creemos que la probabilidad de que dichos delitos se extiendan hacia la escuela o involucren a estudiantes de secundaria es mucho mayor si se construye esta tienda.
- Basado en su ubicación al costado de la carretera, este edificio atraerá a muchas personas sin hogar, ociosas y peligrosas que generalmente se demoran en tales tiendas, muchas de las cuales pueden estar bebiendo o en otras sustancias y pueden acosar a nuestros niños y niñas de la escuela secundaria. Estos incidentes son peligrosos para la salud física y mental de nuestros hijos y, como padres, no podemos abogar por ningún edificio que provoque daños indebidos a nuestros hijos.
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Sign: Alyssa Regula

**From:** [Robinson, Terelle - Mayor's Office](#)  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Mayor's Office Opposition Mail for C-Store next to River City Middle School  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 7, 2021 5:11:03 PM  
**Attachments:** [28 Residents - C-Store Rezoning Opposition Mail.pdf](#)

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FYI – I am making the City Clerk's Office aware of the twenty-eight residents who have signed mail sent to the Mayor's Office in opposition to the C-Store next to River City Middle School.

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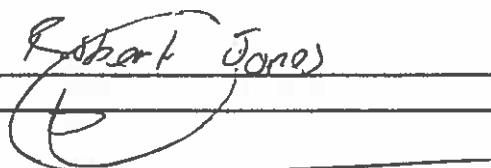
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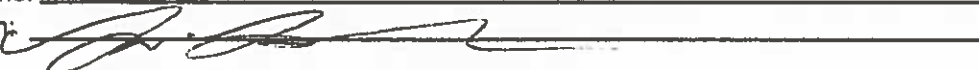
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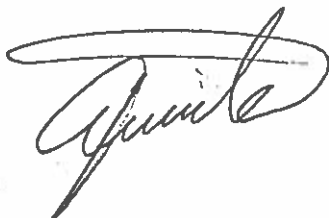
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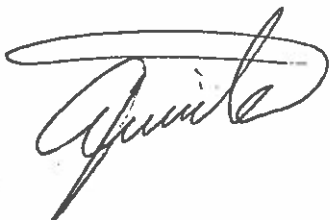
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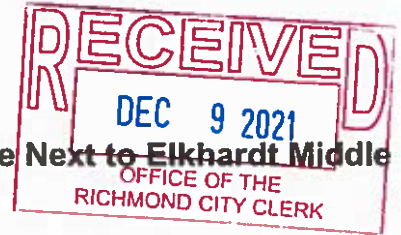
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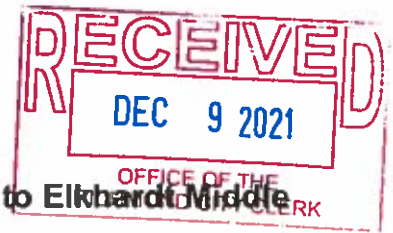
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**Subject:** Mayor's Office Opposition Mail for C-Store next to River City Middle School  
**Date:** Thursday, December 9, 2021 11:53:42 AM  
**Attachments:** [6 Residents - C-Store Rezoning Opposition Mail.pdf](#)

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Good morning,

FYI – I am making the City Clerk's Office aware of the six new residents who have signed mail sent to the Mayor's Office in opposition to the C-Store next to River City Middle School.

Sincerely,

**Terelle Robinson**

Personal Aide to the Mayor  
Office of Mayor Levar M. Stoney  
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- No members of the local Hispanic community have been asked to show involvement in this rezoning process. We residents of Elkhardt Rd community respect our Hispanic neighbors many of which have children who will be attending Elkhardt Middle School. Such neglect is inexcusable.

We residents firmly prioritize the safety of our children over all else and believe the proposed rezoning will inevitably be accompanied by crime, dangerous unwanted people who may verbally or sexually harass our children, uncleanliness, and jeopardize the intellectual capacity of students who may be influenced by said people.

Name:  
Sign:

James Gretkowsk!

**From:** Sec0025  
**To:** [Addison, Andreas D. - City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [City Clerk's Office; Wagner, Daniel M. - City Council Office](#)  
**Subject:** Request to postpone ORD. 2021-325  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 7, 2021 2:56:03 PM

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Councilman Addison,

As you know, ORD 2021-325 (3415 A Floyd Ave.) was approved at the previous Planning Commission meeting (12/6) and is now on the consent agenda for the 12/13 City Council meeting.

I respectfully request the ordinance be removed from the consent agenda and be placed on the regular agenda as there is much community concern. In addition, I would request that it be postponed until the next City Council meeting, which I assume will be in January. I am requesting this as I have sent FOIA requests to several City departments and I am sure I will not hear back from them before the standard five business days. Therefore, my neighbors and I will not be fully versed on the letters of approval from RFD, RPD, DPW and DPU that were mentioned during the Planning Commission meeting.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Shelby Crouch

[REDACTED]



**From:** Sec0025  
**To:** [Addison, Andreas D. - City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [City Clerk's Office; Wagner, Daniel M. - City Council Office](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Request to postpone ORD. 2021-325  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 8, 2021 4:44:03 PM

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Councilman Addison,

As I just received an extension notification from RPD requesting the additional 7 days to my FOIA request and no response at all so far from DPW, or RFD, the request for postponement is even more necessary.

Please let me know if this can be arranged.

Thank you for your time.

Shelby Crouch

On Tue, Dec 7, 2021, 2:55 PM Sec0025 < >

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Thanks for your time and consideration.

Shelby Crouch  


**From:** DONNA SHROPSHIRE  
**To:** [Addison, Andreas D. - City Council](#); [Wagner, Daniel M. - City Council Office](#); [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** City Council Meeting--Request for Change  
**Date:** Thursday, December 9, 2021 1:12:21 PM

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**To the Attention of: Mr. Addison, Mr. Wagner, and Ms. Reid**

**On behalf of our neighborhood, we are requesting that Ordinance No. 2021-325—Special Use Permit for 3415-A Floyd Avenue—be removed from the December 31, 2021 consent agenda and placed on a regular agenda.**

**We are also requesting that it be postponed to the next city council meeting as any FOIA request from the City takes a minimum of five (5) business days to complete and they have a right to ask for an additional seven (7) business days to respond. As a result, constituents would not receive the required letters from the city prior to the meeting.**

**Therefore, we are trusting that you will take into consideration our request.**

**Regards,**

**Donna Shropshire**



**From:** Caryl Burtner  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to SUP 3415 Floyd  
**Date:** Saturday, December 11, 2021 12:49:08 PM

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Please do not allow SUP 2021-325 to proceed. The open space behind 3415 Floyd Ave is essential to the quality of life that Museum District neighbors have developed and nurtured. Let's keep those 75 cars off the street, and give kids a place to play.

We are all for affordable housing, but the this project is anything but... The premise that density=affordability is a cruel hoax.  
Do the right thing. Deny this permit.

Sincerely  
Caryl Burtner



**From:** Lesley Paiva  
**To:** [Addison, Andreas D. - City Council](#); [Wagner, Daniel M. - City Council Office](#); [Jordan, Katherine - City Council](#); [Philipson, Sven J. - City Council](#); [Lambert, Ann-Frances - City Council](#); [Stokes, Kiya A. - City Council](#); [Larson, Kristen N. - City Council](#); [Bond, Aaron A. - City Council](#); [Lynch, Stephanie A. - City Council Office](#); [Robins, Amy E. - City Council Office](#); [Robertson, Ellen F. - City Council](#); [Floyd, Tavares M. - City Council](#); [Newbille, Cynthia L. - City Council](#); [Patterson, Samuel - City Council Office](#); [Trammell, Reva M. - City Council](#); [Bishop, Richard K. - City Council Office](#); [Jones, Michael J. - City Council](#); [Thaxton, Dominique J. - City Council Office](#)  
**Cc:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Letter of Opposition to SUP Ordinance 2021-325 / 3415A Floyd Avenue  
**Date:** Saturday, December 11, 2021 5:07:57 PM

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Dear Richmond City Council Members,

Would building houses 15 feet outside your back gate, on land never intended for residences, negatively effect you and your property's value?

Do you think the new Richmond 300 Guide for Growth should promote building residences in alleys on lots that don't have street frontage? A test case (SUP Ordinance 2021-325 / 3415A Floyd Avenue in the Museum District) for this practice is coming before the Richmond City Council on Monday, December 13th that could negatively effect property owners city-wide. Please vote in opposition to this proposal.

If the Richmond Planning Commission is going to be indifferent, as they were on December 6th, to the folks that know an area the best (please read all of the letters of opposition that accompany the SUP proposal) and indifferent to the neighborhood association (the Museum District Association voted 13-1 to oppose this project), then the Richmond 300 Guide for Growth could be trouble right out of the gate. This proposed project could become a poster child for misuse of the Richmond 300 Guide for Growth. I hope you won't allow this to happen.

In this particular case, the Museum District does not have easily accessible parks like so many other Richmond neighborhoods. We depend on the space central to many blocks to walk our dogs, throw a ball, store our kayaks, wash a car, plant a garden and build community among neighbors. It's an intentional design; an ecosystem of space sharing. It's like an inside-out cul-de-sac but more flexible. Would you build a house in the middle of a cul-de-sac? Of course not. I hope you won't allow this to happen.

The one major flaw of this block design is ownership of this critical central space. Should the City own it? Should folks that own the houses around it own a share of it? Should one entity be entrusted with it? In this case, one entity was entrusted with it and that owner is seeking to exploit this design flaw and extract value from all the properties that surround it. The Planning Commission should have recognized this and voted to not allow this to happen. I hope you will take this opportunity to make sure this does not happen.

The Richmond 300 Guide for Growth should help shape "filling in the missing teeth" (i.e. missing buildings) along streets and not promote putting "teeth" where they don't belong and will surely be detrimental to the overall organism/ecosystem: overcrowding, parking issues, stormwater runoff, trash storage & collection issues, fire safety concerns, lack of green space, lack of flexible space, lack of privacy plus lack of clarity regarding alley maintenance, leaf removal, snow removal and more. What a potential mess!

Now it is in the hands of the Richmond City Council, on Monday 12/13. Please oppose SUP Ordinance 2021-325, the proposed project at 3415A Floyd Avenue which would wedge residences with no street frontage into the alley on an already dense block. Is this what Richmond 300 intends? I pray the Richmond City Council says clearly, "No, this is not what we envisioned."

Best regards,  
Lesley Paiva  
25 year resident of the Museum District

**From:** Lee Williams [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Addison, Andreas D. - City Council](#); [City Clerk's Office](#); [Jordan, Katherine - City Council](#); [frances.lambert@richmondgov.com](mailto:frances.lambert@richmondgov.com); [Larson, Kristen N. - City Council](#); [Lynch, Stephanie A. - City Council Office](#); [Robertson, Ellen F. - City Council](#); [Newbille, Cynthia I. - City Council](#); [Trammell, Reva M. - City Council](#); [Jones, Michael J. - City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Vote NO on SUP Ordinance 2021-325 / 3415A Floyd Avenue in the Museum District  
**Date:** Saturday, December 11, 2021 7:45:38 PM

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Vote NO on SUP Ordinance 2021-325 / 3415A Floyd Avenue in the Museum District.

Thomas L. Williams  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** The Woodwards  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No on SUP Ordinance 2021-325  
**Date:** Sunday, December 12, 2021 7:29:06 PM

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Dear City Clerk,

I am writing to opposed SUP Ordinance 2021-325, the proposed project at 3415A Floyd Avenue, which would **wedge residences with no street frontage into the alley on an already dense block.**

The Richmond 300 Guide for Growth should help shape "filling in the missing teeth" (i.e. missing buildings) along streets and not promote putting "teeth" where they don't belong and will surely be detrimental to the overall neighborhood organism/ecosystem: overcrowding, parking issues, stormwater runoff, trash storage & collection issues, fire safety concerns, lack of green space, lack of flexible space, lack of privacy, plus lack of clarity regarding alley maintenance, leaf removal, snow removal and more. What a potential mess!

This kind of precedent does not make good sense.

Vote NO.

Deborah Woodward  


**From:** Laura Calhoun Dail  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Please oppose Floyd Ave. infill project  
**Date:** Sunday, December 12, 2021 7:39:39 PM

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I am writing as a concerned constituent in the Museum District. I urge you to oppose Special Use Permit: 3415A Floyd Avenue (SUP Ordinance 2021-325). I think this permit could set a dangerous precedent for the city. Impacts that must be considered are safety, lighting, garbage collection, alley maintenance, increased traffic and parking. Richmond has enjoyed a boom in residential development lately. Please do not allow the city's residential neighborhoods become undesirable to residents new and old.  
Thank you for your service,  
Laura Dail



**From:** cindy wofford  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** SUP Ordinance 2021-325  
**Date:** Monday, December 13, 2021 7:29:57 AM

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I write in opposition to SUP Ordinance 2021-325.

The Fan and Museum districts are already extremely dense neighborhoods. Do not allow new buildings in these well established neighborhoods to alter the fabric of these neighborhoods with "in fill" structures.

Many thanks  
Cindy Wofford


**From:** Elsa Woodaman  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#); [Addison, Andreas D. - City Council](#); [Wagner, Daniel M. - City Council Office](#); [Jordan, Katherine - City Council](#); [Philipson, Sven J. - City Council](#); [Lambert, Ann-Frances - City Council](#); [Stokes, Kiya A. - City Council](#); [Larson, Kristen N. - City Council](#); [Bond, Aaron A. - City Council](#); [Lynch, Stephanie A. - City Council Office](#); [Robins, Amy E. - City Council Office](#); [Robertson, Ellen F. - City Council](#); [Patterson, Samuel - City Council Office](#); [Floyd, Tavares M. - City Council](#); [Newbille, Cynthia I. - City Council](#); [Trammell, Reva M. - City Council](#); [Bishop, Richard K. - City Council Office](#); [Jones, Michael J. - City Council](#); [Thaxton, Dominique J. - City Council Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Jon Marcus](#); [David Kreis](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose the SUP Ordinance 2021-325 / DO NOT Build in Historic City Alleys  
**Date:** Monday, December 13, 2021 9:27:04 AM

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Good morning,  
The Museum District has opposed SUP 2021-325. The residents that would be impacted directly oppose this SUP. I oppose this SUP since it could set a precedent for the remaining rare and prized shared spaces in the city.

How can any Council Member in good conscience approve this terrible, money-making idea? Why would you put the financial gain of a few individuals over the long term quality of life of neighborhoods?  
Please do not allow this selfish and unprecedented SUP to be approved!

Thank you,  
Elsa Woodaman  


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**From:** Karen Headley  
**To:** [City Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Letter of Opposition to SUP Ordinance 2021 - 325 at 3415A Floyd Ave  
**Date:** Monday, December 13, 2021 10:06:30 AM

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Dear City Council members,

Thank you for the work you do to ensure our city continues to thrive. And thank you for taking a moment to read my letter of opposition for SUP Ordinance 2021-325. While I am not a resident in your district, I feel it is important for you to oppose SUP Ordinance 2021-325.

I feel this project could be detrimental to the future of your district as well. If this project is approved in the Museum District, it would set a precedent that ANY amount of density and congestion is appropriate in ANY alley of the city. It will leave open the threat of development inside any block that is not already developed even when there isn't sufficient room or there is already greenspace and communal space. And most importantly, it will demonstrate that the great thought put into the Richmond 300 does not matter and will not ultimately be upheld.

I oppose this project for many reasons, but the greatest are as it relates to the Richmond 300 Master Plan. A great deal of time, thought, expert and public input has gone into this new plan for our great city and this project does NOT adhere to the recommendations included.

1) **Not Affordable:** I applaud the city's goal to make living here more affordable and accessible. The units on this property will only be affordable to households making **145% of the city's median household** income (per the planning commission's own report). This will not help new couples, your professionals or young families have access to more affordable housing.

**This is not a Priority Growth Node** - While increased density is needed and welcome in Richmond, the Richmond 300 plan speaks specifically to those developments in the Priority Growth Nodes.... The Museum District nor the block in question are priority growth nodes. I am not against growth, development or increased density - just where it does not fit.

2) **This plan does not adhere to the Neighborhood Mixed-Use designation of this block** - The Richmond 300 plan zones this block for *neighborhood mixed-use*. The criteria for neighborhood mixed-use includes expectations of "appropriate setbacks," engaging street-facing developments, front yards and front porches to promote privacy amongst neighbors and more greenways in alleys. The proposed project includes NONE of these aspects with little plan for privacy and very limited- even inappropriate - setbacks. ***This block is still 95% residential and should be viewed as such and not***

***compared to Carytown which is 98% commercial.***

3) **The project proposed will have too great of lot coverage** (of the space legally allowable for development) with brick and mortar (not green space or open air). Based on the specifications in the plans and considering the parking easement that is not permissible to build upon, it appears that this project will cover more than 65-70% of the allotted space which is well beyond the recommendations for lot coverage in the Richmond 300 plan and well out of character for this neighborhood. If the applicant were proposing a smaller scale carriage house or accessory dwelling unit that is 45-50% of lot coverage (for what is legally eligible for development) with 10+ foot setbacks, a true front yard and engaging greenspace, my opinion would be greatly different.

4) **There is already a density issue on this block.** The Museum District on average has 10 dwellings per acre. The proposed project will most adversely impact the residents on the 3400 block of Ellwood Ave which is already TWICE as dense as the rest of the neighborhood at 21 dwellings per acre. The addition of these 4 dwellings butted right up against the narrow alley on the southside of the property will increase that density to 24 dwellings per acre which is far too crowded as it is... An alley infill project like this might make sense but in other less dense areas with larger building lot potential. ***Again, this block is still 95% residential and should be viewed as such and not compared to Carytown which is 98% commercial.***

I have been intimately aware of this project since it was first proposed in 2015. I am a longtime volunteer for the Museum District Association (including my current work as Chair of the MDA Zoning & Land Use Committee) and the property I have owned for more than 14 years backs up to this property. I have sat in on 6 presentations by the applicant and have also talked with 60+ neighbors. I am very aware of the specifications for this project. For the reasons stated above, I encourage you **to vote against** this SUP application and ordinance. There is no evidence that this project will bring any value to this location and will instead adversely affect the 40+ property owners already in residence on this block while setting a dangerous precedent that the great care and thought put into the Richmond 300 doesn't matter in the end and won't always be upheld. I would also like to remind you that the Museum District Association voted to oppose this project almost unanimously.

***It is a very unique property and so therefore, I encourage you to visit the site as well.***

I appreciate your time and consideration - and your service.

Best,

Karen Headley

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