Saunders, Richard L. - PDR

From:	Samantha Smigel <samantha.smigel@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, January 13, 2022 9:07 AM
To:	PDR Land Use Admin
Subject:	Fwd: Special Use Permit for 313 West 26th Street

Hello Mr. Saunders,

I wanted to make sure that my written comments pertaining to the upcoming Planning Commission meeting that was rescheduled due to the weather-related closure were still going to be used at the upcoming meeting on January 18, 2022. If I need to resubmit the written comments they are included below.

Thank you,
Samantha Smigel

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From: **Samantha Smigel** <samantha.smigel@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 3, 2022 at 12:35 AM
Subject: Special Use Permit for 313 West 26th Street
To: <PDRLandUseAdmin@richmondgov.com>

To the Richmond City Planning Commission,

Thank you for giving local residents the opportunity to speak to this topic. I see no compelling reason to change the zoning for this property to "multi-family" as it offers no benefit to the local neighborhood or community as a whole. This does not adhere to the primary use of land parcels in the neighborhood as defined in the Richmond 300 Master Plan to be single-family houses. Many multi-family homes already exist on this block and now outnumber the number of single-family houses. This is the last land parcel on the block and it would be better architecturally and for our neighborhood to see a single-family home there rather than a two-family detached dwelling. There has been a precedent set to allow the neighborhood to speak to such zoning matters and have them decide the matter themselves. I hope you continue to allow us to decide how our community grows in the future.

Thank you for your time,

Samantha Smigel, M.Ed.
A resident of 306 West 26th Street

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Thanks,

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