

The Fan District Association of Richmond, Virginia 208 N. Strawberry Street, Richmond, Virginia 23220

June 25, 2014

Michael Pellis Michael Pellis Architecture 201 W. 7th St. Richmond, VA 23224

Dear Sir:

Subject: General Support for Development Concept at My Noodle & Bar

The Fan District Association of Richmond, VA, Inc., (FDA) Board of Directors (Board) has voted to support the concept of installing a patio beside the entrance to the My Noodle & Bar, which is located in the basement of the Stuart Circle Apartments. The Board's continued support is conditional in that it must review and support detailed plans and specifications that accompany an application to the City of Richmond (City) Department of Planning and Development Review.

The FDA appreciates your attendance at its Zoning Committee meeting in May. You explained that your client wishes to install the patio to provide outdoor seating. There will be no music or music speakers, an ornamental fence will surround the patio, the patio will close nightly at 10:00 PM, and seating will be limited to 21 persons. You explained that your client has met with neighbors and will be obtaining the Monument Avenue Preservation Society (MAPS) approval. The FDA has concerns that another owner may not show the same concerns for neighbors, so FDA approval would also limit is approval to an SUP that applies only to the current owner and occupancy.

The FDA Board appreciates your bringing this matter to its attention. Please feel free to contact me if you have additional questions, concerns, or issues.

Sincerely,

Matthew P. Stanley

President (804) 332-1794

president@fandistrict.org

From: Michael Pellis

To: <u>Thompson, Daniel W. - PDR</u>

Cc: Bill Gallasch; Pitts, Marianne G. - City Council Liaison; Whitney Kiatsuranon; Samuels, Charles R. - Council

<u>Member</u>

 Subject:
 Re: 1600 Monument Ord No. 2014-221

 Date:
 Wednesday, March 04, 2015 5:35:44 PM

Willy,

Please see the note from Bill Gallash below stating no opposition to the My Noodle SUP. We are ready to be placed on the next Planning commission meeting agenda. Thanks to everyone for helping to produce a favorable outcome!

Best regards,

Michael Pellis RA, LEED AP 804.212.9024 michael@michaelpellis.com www.michaelpellis.com

On Wed, Mar 4, 2015 at 5:01 PM, Bill Gallasch < bill.gallasch@joynerfineproperties.com wrote:

Michael, MAPS voted not to object to the SUP that was last presented with review by City Council if ownership of building or business. Also, no objection was made to your proposed outdoor seating, tables, etc.

Bill Gallasch

MAPS

President

From: Michael Pellis [mailto:michael@michaelpellis.com]

Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2015 8:35 AM

To: Thompson, Daniel W. - PDR

Cc: Whitney Kiatsuranon; Bill Gallasch; Samuels, Charles R. - Council Member; Pitts, Marianne G. -

Council Chief of Staff Office; Bill Gallasch

Subject: Re: 1600 Monument Ord No. 2014-221

Willy,

We have not received confirmation from MAPS as to whether or not we

will be on their agenda for next monday's meeting. We will need to continue this item until we have met with MAPS and come to agreeable terms. I will keep you posted on our progress, thanks.

Best regards,

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On Tue, Feb 24, 2015 at 8:10 AM, Thompson, Daniel W. - PDR < <u>Daniel.Thompson@richmondgov.com</u> > wrote:

Hi Michael,

We're preparing packets for the PC meeting next week and I need to know if you are requesting a continuance of this item.

Thanks,

Willy

From: Thompson, Daniel W. - PDR Sent: Monday, February 23, 2015 9:03 AM

To: 'Michael Pellis' **Cc:** Whitney Kiatsuranon

Subject: RE: 1600 Monument Ord No. 2014-221

Hi Michael,

Seeing as the MAPS meeting is next Monday, after the Planning Commission meeting you continued to, I'm assuming you need to contine this again.

Can you confirm what you want to do?

Thanks,

Willy

From: Michael Pellis [mailto:michael@michaelpellis.com]

Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 9:50 AM

To: Thompson, Daniel W. - PDR

Cc: Whitney Kiatsuranon; Pitts, Marianne G. - City Council Liaison; Samuels, Charles R. - Council

Member; Bill Gallasch; Bill Gallasch

Subject: Re: 1600 Monument Ord No. 2014-221

Greetings all,

The owner of My Noodle met with Councilman Samuels on Tuesday. (Thank you Councilman Samuels for your time.)

Willy - We will need to pay for another continuance in order meet & review with MAPS our latest proposal.

Bill Gallash - If you would please place us on the MAPS February agenda, preferably towards the end since Councilman Samuels would like to attend. Also please email all of us the meeting location. We have met with your group 3 times and the following are the items of concern per our notes from those meetings and how this proposal intends to address each concern:

- 1. ISSUE: "Set a limit on hours of operation to no later than 10pm" PROPOSAL: Hours of operation 10am-10pm 7 days/wk will be written into the ordinance.
- 2. ISSUE: "We would like the ordinance to be written for the tenant only and not the building, so in the event My Noodle leaves, the next tenant would have to re-apply". PROPOSAL: there is a provision in the

code that allows for this.

- 3. ISSUE: "Additional rope lights, hanging delivery signs, and other random items have been placed on the premises which further detracts from the aesthetic on monument avenue." PROPOSAL: No new signage will be added. any additional lighting will be to illuminate the existing signage and the light source will be concealed (not visible) from the sidewalk or street. Candles will be used for light source at the tables. all additional light sources will not be visible from the sidewalk or street.
- 4. ISSUE: "Can you soften the fenced in area possibly by using planters? Need to propose something that matches the Monument Avenue aesthetic" PROPOSAL: The proposed concrete planters & boxwood hedgerow match several planters along the same block. the total height of planter & hedge will be approx. 3 feet high which will help to shield the furniture from street view. The use of a retractable belt barrier from the last planter to connect back to the existing stair railing is being proposed in lieu of a permanent structure which would be of similar material to the center stair rail. the stanchion and belt can be of any color, but we are proposing silver or black.

Attached are the revised drawings. We look forward to having further dialogue with MAPS in order to find a favorable solution.

The owner of My Noodle is currently working with the landlord as well as the church across the street in order to secure designated parking spaces for MY Noodle to help offset the additional 24 seats being proposed. We should have some numbers for you at the meeting.

Best regards,

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From: <u>David Wofford</u>

To: <u>Samuels, Charles R. - Council Member; Thompson, Daniel W. - PDR</u>

Subject: my noodle

Date: Monday, November 03, 2014 10:07:17 AM

Gentlemen,

I live in the 1600 block of Monument Avenue across the street and down from My Noodle. I am very concerned about the upcoming vote regarding My Noodle. I understand the reservations some have about opening the outside area to diners. To me, this would be a positive for our neighborhood. It will give a needed spark to the area. Tourists as well as residents will be able to enjoy Monument Avenue even more. The stipulations limiting the number of people, no music and the time limitations of 10am to 10pm should alleviate the concerns over granting this SUP. Many of the neighbors that have expressed their opinions against the use as an outdoor venue are not aware of the limitations above. I suggest that tenants after My Noodle reapply for the SUP. If this is not possible I still want the restaurant to have a sidewalk café. Please give My Noodle the chance to make Monument Avenue an even better place to live. Call if you would like to discuss this further.

Thank you,

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