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2312 Abercorn St

Special use permits for onsite alcohol consumption

Restaurant/ lounge

As a life long resident of 201 east 38th St I have seen a number of changes at 2312 Abercorn In the 1940's the family that lived in the attached house converted their back yard/garage into a soda fountain/coner store serving the neighborhood before everyone had automobile. Years later it becomes a breakfast and lunch restaurant. That is when we in the neighborhood began to feel the impact. Cars slamming doors at 6 in the morning, cars parked along the railroad tracks, our driveways blocked. Taylor's closed as time passed and businesses with less impact took its place.

Now what you are doing is restoring a high impact use to a residential neighborhood. The MPC and City Council have already approved 2 high volume restaurants with no parking and 2 bars/lounge with no parking within a couple of blocks of this location, which impact not only residents but existing businesses. The site while presently has three parking spaces marked; the only access is crossing the railroad right of way, which the railroad frowns upon. In the front there are only 4 spaces on the east side of Abercorn. On the west die there is no parking for the 4 multi bedroom apartments, they have no off-street parking and now use the east side parking. In both the 100 & 200 blocks of 38th and 39th St have more residential cars than street spaces. Three times a week the streets have restricted parking, 40th St is the same. So where are the staff and customers going to park? Oh, did I mention the two other businesses in the attached building that have staff and customers that present use the four marked spaces.

There is no place for commercial trash containers. Remember the railroad runs behind the building. Look at where the utility poles are. Everything between the track and poles is railroad. So as the business there now, they will have cans lining the street for once a week pick up. And what we will see is what is seen down the street at a location that has no space for a commercial container.

While I know you are looking at a special use you must consider the impact that will be pushed on this community. That must be part of your consideration. The use generates traffic, noise, trash etc. Please take these into consideration. There is not any neighborhood that does not reach its capacity and this one has surpassed what the streets will handle.

Your commission has a P for planning, Planning entails looking at the impact on the whole community, balancing the quality of life for all. To do that you have to consider the impact of a high-volume business has on this area. Have the courage. Build a community that is laid out for the success of residents and business alike.

Sincerely

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Please see the attached pictures



