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City of Austin Planning and Zoning Department

Maureen Meredith

- neighborhood plan amendment

Andrew Moore

- rezoning

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re: Case Number: NPA-2015-0013.01

(neighborhood plan amendment)

re: Case Number: C14-2015-0145

(rezoning)

Concerned parties:

My wife and I live at 614 West Monroe Street, a block from the site of the proposed neighborhood plan amendment and rezoning. In general and in principal I prefer that we do not make exceptions to neighborhood planning and zoning requirements. I respect that residents closest to the site - 1615 & 1617 S.2nd Street - approve of the proposed changes. I feel that approval of these exceptions must be accompanied by changes in area parking and traffic control.

Once construction begins on that site, my neighbors and I will become trapped in our neighborhood. South First Street has become difficult to enter and exit most of the day. Neighborhood streets are choked by South First business customer parking. Bouldin Avenue often closes for events. We strongly recommend that approval of changes to neighborhood planning and zoning requirements for this site are contingent upon development of neighborhood parking restrictions - for example, parking on only one side of the street - and the installation of a traffic light at the intersection of South First and West Monroe Streets.

Thank you for your consideration:

John Christensen