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RE: C14-2023-0124 - West Lynn @ 12th Street - District 9 - Item 12

Dear Chair Hempel and Planning Commissioners,

The Old West Austin Neighborhood Association (OWANA) Steering Committee has unanimously voted to support the requested re-zoning at West Lynn & 12th Street (Case number: C14-2023-0124).

The owner of the properties, Zydeco Development Corporation, met with the OWANA Zoning Committee three times over the last four months to discuss their proposal for the property and to solicit support from the neighborhood. Zydeco agreed to provide community benefits and mitigate construction concerns under a Restrictive Covenant with our neighborhood.

The site was the location of Nau's Pharmacy and Anthony's Dry Cleaners, It is one of the iconic buildings of our neighborhood and the center of the commercial district located within OWANA. Zydeco agreed to retain the historic facades of this building and incorporate them into their project, as well as preserve the contributing structure that is currently home to Café Medici. This proposal was presented at the last General Membership meeting in December.

OWANA appreciates both Zydeco's willingness to work with the neighborhood and their enthusiasm and thoughtfulness to build something special at this prominent location in our historic neighborhood. Please join us in supporting this project by voting to approve the necessary re-zoning.

Sincerely,

Christopher Hurst, AIA OWANA Steering Committee Chair