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Subject: 614- 618 Blanco/ Castle Hill Historic District

Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2015 2:27:54 PM

Good day, my name is John Teinert and I own several properties in Old West Austin and immediately adjacent to Castle Hill Historic District. I own three homes, 1402 and 1404 Windsor, 1210 W. 13th St. and I own a business on 1201 Baylor Street. Over the years I have owned property within the historic district as well. My interest in the vibrancy and liveability of the neighborhoods are of utmost importance to me. Because of this I am writing you to express my strong support for the proposed changes to the Castle Hill Historic District design standards and support the construction of town homes in the development at 614 and 618 Blanco Street (Case number: C14H-2010-0006 Castle Hill Historic District Proposal).

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
John Teinert

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From:

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Subject: Castle Hill Historic District Proposal - Support for C14H-2010-0006

Date: Sunday, August 16, 2015 6:46:57 PM

Members of the Historic Commission:

My name is Wayne Orchid and I own 604 and 609 Harthan Street in the Harthan Street Local Historic District. I am writing you to express my strong support for the proposed changes to the Castle Hill Historic District design standards and support the construction of town homes in the development known as the "Stonewall" at 614 and 618 Blanco Street (Case number: C14H-2010-0006 Castle Hill Historic District Proposal).

My properties are located adjacent to and across the street from the proposed development. In fact, 609 Harthan shares a lot line with 614 Blanco, so I am directly affected by this proposed change in code.

With the change to the Castle Hill Ordinance, Mr. James Schoenbaum, the owner of 614 and 618 Blanco, will be able to proceed with his proposed development plan that has strong support from many of the neighbors surrounding these properties.

I have lived on Harthan Street for 15 years and have seen *many* proposed projects for this lot, but none with the vision or consideration Mr. Schoenbaum has shown. My wife and I both embrace the current design offered by Mr. Schoenbaum because it conscientiously blends new construction into the historic fabric of Blanco and Harthan Streets. Mr. Schoenbaum and his architects proactively met with us and other Harthan Street neighbors at least 4 times in the years following his purchase of the property. I believe he has gone above and beyond what is considered adequate consultation with his neighbors to achieve a design that all will be happy to have in this neighborhood.

Please take my support into consideration in your review process.

Sincerely,

Wayne Orchid
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