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Sent: Monday, January 07, 2019 11:16 AM

To: Barton-Holmes, Christine < Christine.Barton-Holmes@austintexas.gov>

Cc: Bonnie Cullum >; Brendan Wittstruck <>; Dave W < >; Jim Reed < >; Jules Vieau <j>

Subject: Case #SPC-2017-0531A, Vortex Theater

Dear Ms. Barton:

I am writing in support of the Vortex Theater's request for a permit to bring their deck into compliance and while that work progresses, be allowed to operate their bar, an important revenue stream for their struggling small business.

During the past 25 years, the Vortex has become a landmark cultural spot in the neighborhood and, like most artistic ventures, has struggled to host its events and navigate within technical city codes and rules that are not always readily apparent. I'm sure that Ms. Cullum will quickly bring the deck up to code and it will be safe and inviting.

Thank you for your work to move this case along quickly,

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From: Jim Reed [

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2019 2:17 PM

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Jules Vieau <>

Subject: Re: Case #SPC-2017-0531A, Vortex Theater

Ms. Barton,

I agree with Dr. Carver's expressed views on support for the Vortex Theater's permit for deck compliance while continuing full operation of their facility. Even a short period of revenue loss for a community theater organization could be crippling. The Vortex is a part of the fabric of our community, and they have our utmost support.

Best regards,

Jim Reed, Chair of Cherrywood Neighborhood Association

Good Afternoon Christine,

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This is in regards to a CUP hearing tomorrow for the Vortex Theatre. Case# SPC-2017-05318, Item C-19. My name is Ethan Hyams. I am the owner at 2100 Chestnut Ave 78722, two blocks away from the Vortex. As a local, longtime patron, I wanted to let you know that I fully support the theatre as well as the approval of the CUP.

Thank You.

Ethan Hyams

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2100 Chestnut Ave.

From: Brendan Wittstruck

Sent: Sunday, January 06, 2019 9:26 PM

To: Barton-Holmes, Christine < Christine.Barton-Holmes@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Fwd: FW: Vortex #SPC-2017-0531A,

Greetings Christine,

With regard to Girard's email from yesterday, it is my pleasure to voice my personal support for the conditional use permit for the Vortex site to allow the lounge and accessibility improvements. I believe this to be necessary in order to implement needed site improvements to the existing usage, which has brought enormous value to the neighborhood.

Thank you for your assistance with this.

best,

Brendan