

Jeffrey Fischbach

From: Karen Nancekivell <karen.nancekivell@dogtopia.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2024 3:08 PM
To: Jeffrey Fischbach; Eric Hudak
Cc: Kessler, Lauren; Sophie Nancekivell; Ian Nancekivell
Subject: Petition of Support Efforts - 2418 University Ave W

Think Before You Click: This email originated **outside** our organization.

City Council of St. Paul,

This letter is to serve as our petition effort letter for 2418 University Ave W. We have diligently sought support for our project of a new dog daycare and dog boarding facility. Although we were able to achieve signed support from the Brown Family, owners of one residential property within 150 ft. our proposed location, extensive efforts to contact the Altus Group has gone unanswered. The Altus Group owns both the C&E Living Apartments and the C&E Lofts. Their business address is an out of state post office box. Our attempts to contact have included:

May 16th – face to face visit with the Leasing Director for C&E, Julianne Zetah. Julianne was very enthusiastic about our project and felt it would be of great benefit for her residents since they are a dog friendly complex. Not only does the apartment allow dogs but also provides a dog park for apartment residents directly behind 2418 University Ave. We followed up with Juilianne on May 17th with additional information and the petition which she agreed to forward to the appropriate contact within her organization. Julianne declined to sign the petition herself feeling she did not have authority to do so. She also declined to provide additional contact information for her organization. On May 18th we again visited Julianne to assure that the contact information had been forwarded to her contact. She assured us it had and she again expressed enthusiasm for our project. We have since left Julianne two voicemail messages that she has not responded to.

May 20th – we mailed a letter, petition and background information inviting questions and requesting support of our project to the Altus Group, P.O. Box 92129, Southlake TX, 76092-0102. We have never received a response.

We contacted the St. Anthony Park Community Council on May 18th by email, providing background information and requesting support for our project. We contacted again today by both email and phone and received a call back from Zev Radziwill, Executive Director. Zev was very encouraging about our project and has scheduled our presentation on the agenda for a Council meeting on June 6th. He has indicated if all goes as expected, we could have a letter of support by the end of next week.

We have received only positive support for our project from everyone we have communicated with. We would like to respectfully request to be put on the agenda for the St. Paul City Council meeting as soon as possible. We feel we have comprehensively pursued all of the requirements possible to apply for a business license. We are working under a very tight deadline and would appreciate expediting the process if at all possible.

Sincerely,

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From: Jeffrey Fischbach
Sent: Monday, June 3, 2024 9:42 AM
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Subject: PETITION ATTEMPT RESULTS: 2418 University Ave W - Mississippi Mutts LLC / DBA Dogtopia of Saint Paul - Pending Animal Boarding (Commercial) Lic. App. ID # 20240000909

There were three (3) residential use properties within 150' of the above referenced location.

The applicant submitted one (1) signature of support.

The applicant obtained one (1) out of a possible three (3) residential use supportive signatures for thirty-three (33) percent support.

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Sec. 348.04. Licensing requirements.

- (b) *Consent of neighboring property:* An animal day care or animal boarding license applicant shall present with his or her application a statement in writing with the signatures of as many of the owners of private residences, dwellings and apartment houses located within one hundred fifty (150) feet of such premises as he or she can obtain to the effect that they have no objection to the granting of the animal day care or animal boarding license sought or the operation of the business at the proposed location. The one hundred fifty (150) feet shall be calculated as the distance measured in a straight line from the nearest point of the property line of the building where the license is sought, to the nearest point of the residentially occupied property line.
- (1) *Consent of sixty (60) to eighty-nine (89) percent of owners within one hundred fifty (150) feet:* If the applicant obtains the signatures of ninety (90) percent or more of such persons, **the council may grant the license**. If the applicant obtains the signatures of sixty (60) percent to eighty-nine (89) percent of such persons, **the council may grant the license** if the licensee demonstrates to the council in writing with respect to specific properties that a good faith effort was made to fulfill all petition requirements, and upon finding that issuance of the license would not interfere with the reasonable use and enjoyment of neighboring property and residences and would not bear adversely on the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community. Such findings shall be based on the following considerations if the license were to be granted: