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Department of Planning and Economic Development

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Re: Rezoning Application for 204-208 Western Avenue

Ms. Reilly:

Brian Pergament met with the Summit-University Planning Council's Neighborhood Development Committee to discuss the application to rezone 204-208 Western Avenue from RM2 to T2. At this meeting we learned of plans to lease space to a veterinary clinic.

The Neighborhood Development Committee recommended to the full board of directors that we should support this application. This was based on the new zoning classification not disrupting the past/current use of the space (i.e. It's been leased to businesses before), the T2 designation would appear to benefit the community and eliminate the need to go through this process for future business tenants, and we believe Mr. Pergament to be a respectful and responsible neighbor in this community.

The board of directors unanimously agreed to support this application. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 651-228-1855 or irna@summit-u.com. I respond more quickly to emails.

Thank you,

Irna L. Landrum Executive Director