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Diatta, YaYa (CI-StPaul)

From: Catherine <cezeta57@usfamily.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2014 10:13 AM
To: Diatta, YaYa (CI-StPaul)
Subject: Citizen comments regarding zoning variance.

Dear Ms. Diatta,

Please ensure these comments are included at the 2/19/14 BZA packets.

Dear Board of Zoning Appeals,

Regarding:

Applicant	- Bilal Alsadi	(#14-093588)
Location	- 1200 Rice Street	
Zoning	- B2	
Purpose:	- Two variances of the sign code requirements in order to install a 21square foot sign with dynamic display on a multi-tenant free standing sign at the southeast corner of Rice Street and Maryland Avenue for the businesses on this site. The sign code requires a sign with dynamic display in a B2 district located within 100 feet of a residential use to: 1) Be monochromatic; the applicant is proposing a full color sign. 2) Have a display message that does not change faster than every 20 minutes; the applicant is proposing a display message that would change every 60 seconds.	

The sign code was established to provide for the installation of dynamic signs that would not overly interfere with residential areas. The sign proposed by Mr. Alsadi will be too "dynamic". Flashing every 60 seconds is like a strobe light. Additionally, lit signs also interfere with darkness needed for quiet in the community. This sing does not fit with the code and the appeal must be denied.

Sincerely,
Catherine Zimmer
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St Paul MN 55104

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