



August 16, 2017

Mr. Salah Suliman

Via email: salahsuliman74@gmail.com

**RE: 2443 Webster Ave Mixed Use Development** 

Dear Mr. Suliman:

On behalf of the Hill District's Development Review Panel (DRP), we offer this letter of support to you based on the May 2017 submission for the 2443 Webster Avenue Mixed Use development proposal.

The mission of the Hill CDC is to work in partnership with residents and stakeholders to create, promote, and implement strategies and programs that connect plans, policies and people to drive compelling community development opportunities in the Greater Hill District. The Hill CDC is responsible for facilitating the implementation of the Greater Hill District Master Plan, specifically addressing any community concerns regarding redevelopment and economic opportunities in the area. The DRP is a partnership with the Hill District Consensus Group that streamlines community level review while assuring transparency and sufficient community feedback.

The 2443 Webster Ave Mixed Use proposal scored a cumulative 80% at the DRP and community review levels. This score indicates that the plan sufficiently aligns with the Greater Hill District Master Plan. A few noteworthy points that emerged during the review process to consider as you move forward with the development are as follows:

- Commitment to serving healthier choices for kids and families, such as fresh fruits and vegetables rather than chips and soda
- Provide more parking
- Community asked that you consider lower rental rates
- Ensure your convenience store builds upon the African American cultural legacy of the Hill District
- Provide full-time, living-wage job(s)

We wish you the best in your development endeavors. We ask that any subsequent changes to the scope of your project be shared with the Hill CDC and Development Review Panel at the

time that they occur to assure the community remains on the same page throughout your implementation stage.

Again, we wish you much success and look forward to supporting this very important development project. Congratulations!

Sincerely,

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Cc:

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