To: Steven Buckley

Cc: Michael Denten; Mark Morancy; Capt. Ed Payne; Joy; Scott Long; Bettie Laird; Marguerite Payne

Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2001 high st dogs day Care

Date: Monday, July 29, 2024 8:42:20 AM

Greetings; Mr. Buckley, This note addresses the planning for a dog care business to operate in the building at 2001 High st. As this business will open just a few feet from our home at 3131 Marina dr we have a vital, a crucial, interest in its operation. We are one of the near neighbors of this structure as we live at 3131 Marina Dr. only a few steps from the corner of Marina and High streets. We are also dog lovers and have been most of our lives. Having owned and lived with dogs from our early childhoods, we know that dogs bark. We know as well that when left by their humans in strange situations and strangers, dogs suffer separation anxiety and bark even more. Imagine a chorus of dogs who bark for their humans all day. You would not want this in your front yard?

Essential to peace of mind and neighborhood sanity will be that a careful and thorough soundproofing of the dog care will have to be in the planning, reconstruction and tested at every stage. Failure to do so will be almost impossible to remedy once the dog care is in operation. This neighborhood deserves better.

As this dog care is also surrounded 360 degrees by residences and a nearby senior medical facility, the introduction of this new noise will cause a new annoyance in the community and no doubt some legal responses.. We do not think that a casual consideration of this application is appropriate. A sign now on display on the face of the structure announces: "COMING SOON! BARKONIA! " This hardly does much to calm our fears. You. must also consider what the presence of this noise will do to property values within hearing.

We request that you apply all existing rules and regulations to the establishment of this potentially destabilizing community source of noise. If these reasonable requirements are not met, that you reject the plan. Now is when the best planning

must be applied to avoid certain chaos.

Thank. you for your consideration of this petition.

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