

Amy Johnson

From: Bryce Bishop
Sent: Wednesday, October 03, 2018 8:55 AM
To: Amy Johnson
Subject: FW: Short Term Rental at 725 High Street SE

Good Morning Amy,

Forwarded is additional testimony I received regarding the Council review on October 8th of the Conditional Use Permit for the short-term rental at 725 High Street SE.

Thanks,
Bryce

From: Willy Kohne [mailto:willykohne@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, October 01, 2018 8:42 PM
To: Bryce Bishop <BBishop@cityofsalem.net>
Subject: Short Term Rental at 725 High Street SE

Hello, Bryce ~

I heard the staff report at the meetings, and I don't think you had much city regulatory backing to refuse this application.

But, I think this decision sets a terrible precedent in Salem. It's certainly a commercial venture in an historic single family residential neighborhood.

You can be assured the neighbors will be watching this property like a hawk! Be prepared for periodic complaints.

WillyKohne@yahoo.com

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From: Jeff Schumacher <jeff.schumacher@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 03, 2018 1:33 PM
To: Amy Johnson; Bryce Bishop; CityRecorder
Subject: Fwd: Short Term Rental on High Street

Bryce and Amy,

Below is a neighbor's comment regarding 725 High Street SE (matter CU-ADJ18-07). I would like to have it added to the written record for Monday's public hearing on the matter. The neighbor, Ernesto Toskovic, lives at 606 High St. SE.

Thanks,
Jeff Schumacher
SCAN president, 2018-19

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From: **Ernesto Toskovic** <ernestotoskovic@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 8:41 AM
Subject: Short Term Rental on High Street
To: <Jeff.Schumacher@gmail.com>

Hello Jeff,

I hope you are doing well. I am writing regarding the establishment of short term rental business on High Street. As an entrepreneur I am sympathetic to enterprising ideas. However, in this instance I am of the opinion that establishing a short term rental on High street would violate the spirit of this historic neighborhood. I was thinking if people who established this historic neighbourhood envisioned having a hotel / motel like establishment here, and I believe that the answer would be a no. Downtown Salem has sufficient accommodation capacity for visitors already and Grand Hotel has capacity and a property ready to expand if necessary. This neighborhood is not a commercial zone and it has such a historic significance to the City which should not be altered. Opening up short term rental would open up likelihood that the other owners would go a similar direction which would permanently alter this place.

The intangible long term cost of establishing a short term rental on High Street would likely exceed the potential benefits and I would like to share my opposition to it.

Best regards,

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Ernesto Toskovic
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