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Tuesday, April 20, 2021 11:09 AM

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Subject:

Letters Supporting C0-10 - Old Crowne Plaza Hotel

Attachments:

Letters of Support.pdf

Attached are some of the letters and petitions that I have received in the past few weeks supporting our project. More will be sent later today.

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Tulsa Metropolitan Area Planning Commission Two West 2nd Street, Suite 800 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101

RE: Case Number: CO-10 Major Amendment

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Respectfully,

Ms. Jeanine Cue Councilor District 2 Tulsa City Council 2021 175 East 2nd Street 4th Floor Tulsa, OK 74103



Dear Councilor Cue:

I participated in your Zoom call a few weeks ago, and I am now writing to express my support for the VSUSA housing and hotel project at the former Crowne Plaza site. I believe this will be a valuable addition to our community (I live just around the corner at 71st and Evanston Ave) and one that will create jobs and enhance the city overall by maximizing the use of this vacant building in particular.

I ask that you join me and many other residents in supporting this project. My reasons for favoring this mixed-use redevelopment of the Crowne Plaza are as follows:

- The property will remain a mixed-use property, not only providing housing for distinguished citizens who served in the United States Armed Forces (like myself), but also will continue to operate as a smaller-scale hotel property under a national brand.
- Veteran Services USA \$18 Million investment and renovation plan ensures a former premier location and property, which has long served as an anchor to nearby retail businesses, will be revitalized as a valuable asset to the City of Tulsa.
- Veterans of age 55+ will benefit from interactive social fellowship, fitness amenities, workforce retraining for various life stages, and on-site health care assistance.

Thanks for all that you do for Tulsa!!

Peter Luitwieler
Program Manager
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Oklahoma Veteran Alliance

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I am writing in support of the VSUSA project to convert the former Crowne Plaza Hotel into a mixed use housing site. This project provides economic stimulus to the area and provides a needed housing facility for those who fit the intended demographics.

Specifically, the new facility would benefit veterans whose housing and socialization needs remain a goal for our community. The facility has the potential to be a "shining light" for the City of Tulsa with respect to how we recognize and address the needs of veterans, those to whom we owe so much.

Regards,

Michael Horton, EdD, USAF Executive Director The Coffee Bunker M: 918-809-4236

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Cherie Cook <cr.cook@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 19, 2021 4:17 PM

To:

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Subject:

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Attachments:

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Thank you.

Excellence is not an exception; it is a prevailing attitude. \sim

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I have additional concerns about Crowne Plaza being used for veteran housing. Many veterans experience PTSD, which is largely inadequately treated by the VA and/or private physicians when veterans can afford them. The risk of gun violence, specifically, or any violence as the result of a veteran experiencing a PTSD episode is not something I would like to have in the area. Additionally, there is already a significant drug presence in the area, and I feel that adding a population who may be seeking to alleviate mental issues would add to the problem. I avoid the major retailer (Wal-Mart) at that location due to people panhandling. If a retailer that size requires a constant police presence on site, there is a major problem. (If you don't know, there is at least one police cruiser parked out front at all times.)

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Sincerely,

Dr. DJ Foster, DDS



March 25, 2021

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