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Subject: [EXTERNAL] 10/21/21 Meeting / Agenda Item #6: Variance - 1325 Simonton Street

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Dear Ms. Phillips:

My name is Tim Maloney and my husband, Robert Maykut, and I own 703 South St. Our property is an "L-shaped" lot with our driveway located on Elizabeth Street.

The proposed Scooter Rental business would be directly across from our property / driveway on Elizabeth Street.

I am completely opposed to this business being established in this location. I request that the variances be denied, for the following reasons:

- 1. This very small section of Elizabeth Street is located between United and South Street.
- 2. It is a narrow one-way street that runs south from United to South Street.
- 3. This is a very residential neighbourhood & street
- 4. The only business on the street is the Southwinds Motel (1321 Simonton St.) that sits primarily on Simonton & South St. A small back section of the motel, with parking, sits on the very end of Elizabeth and South
- 5. Elizabeth street already gets very congested with delivery vehicles, Motel Customer parking, neighbourhood parking, and other traffic related to the Motel.
- 6. The addition of this business would further negatively impact the neighbourhood due the increased traffic and noise generated by this new business.
- 7. In my experience, this type of business will require the potential customers to "test" the scooters prior to the rental. These tests would most likely have to be done on Elizabeth Street. This will further disrupt traffic flow and our ability to easily and freely enjoy the use of our driveways and property on Elizabeth Street.
- 8. We have all experienced the noise created when customers constantly beep their scooter horns in their excitement to be riding a scooter in Key West. This noise will further erode the quality of life we experience on this residential street.
- 9. It also has the potential for customers of the businesses to be inappropriately utilizing adjoining driveways and property.
- 10. In fact, we have already had one inexperienced Scooter driver crash into our driveway fence-post causing damage to our property. The person left the scene without notifying us. Neighbours who witnessed the accident reported it to us.
- 11. There are many Scooter businesses in our area already. Adding another adds no value to the neighbourhood. It does not satisfy any unmet need.
- 12. The addition of a Food Truck will only add to all of the issues discussed above and additionally will compound parking issues and increase noise levels in the neighbourhood further. The Motel already houses the Tipsy Rooster Bar, which has negatively impacted the noise level in the neighbourhood due to live music. No variances should be allowed.

13. This proposal has the potential to decrease the property values in the neighbourhood.

Sincerely, Timothy Maloney Robert Maykut 703 South St. Key West, Florida 33040 305-432-7600 Sent from my iPad