

From: john garman [<mailto:jlbgarman@gmail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, June 21, 2015 8:26 PM
To: Patrick Wright
Subject: 801 EATON ST. zoning

Re: Take-out Restaurant at 801 Eaton St.

DEAR MR. WRIGHT:

Parking is as you know difficult in this city; and that is especially true in the Historic District. I can NEVER find parking near my address, and RARELY even on the block. And just imagine the tremendous increase in traffic up and down what is now a sheltered and peaceful neighborhood - and the associated noise, discarded trash, and exhaust pollution. It would totally change the character of the whole area, and would set a precedent that would destroy the classic peaceful tropical ambience of much of old town.

We expect those conditions on Duval Street - but we expect them limited to Duval Street.

The atmosphere of the neighborhood would necessarily change for the worse, given that a large percentage of the clientele for a take-out restaurant might also be less concerned with maintaining cleanliness. Fast-food restaurants have a staff who, throughout each day, 7 days a week, clean and maintain the surrounding property - *is the city prepared to supply that kind of maintenance of the area?*

And I would add that this would set a precedent that would be seized on by the entrepreneurs who care more for profit than living quality for those who live in the area - imagine take-outs on MANY corners, not just a few...and before long, worst-case scenario: hot-dog and ice-cream stands up and down every block. Key West would lose its reputation as a relaxing paradise and become another frantic Miami - or Havana without the draw of the casinos.

These are concerns that I feel are relevant to the consideration of this zoning request; I am heartily against such a restaurant installation.

Truly Yours,

John L. Garman Jr.

From: damon [<mailto:damon@fishkeywestfl.com>]

Sent: Monday, June 29, 2015 12:11 PM

To: Patrick Wright

Subject: Re: 801 EATON ST. zoning

Hello Patrick,

I have tried reaching out to Mr. Garman through email and phone calls to alleviate his concerns with no success. Come to find out he has not been to Key West in a very long time. Even his tenants who are our customers cannot ever get in touch with him, all they do is mail a check to a Connecticut address. I hope that a single property owner who does not even live in our city or contribute anything to our community could hurt our chances at changing our conditional use. I was hoping that this email could be made available to the planning board. Thank you

Damon Santelli