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To: ALRC Members

RE: Item #16 and Legistar # 49736
Change of Licensed Conditions La Escondida Mexican Grill LLC
dba La Escondida Mexican Grill - 1821 S. Park St.
Owners: Juana Jessica Torres
Class B Combination Liquor & Beer • 10% alcohol, 90% food

On December 13, 2017 Captain John Patterson, Attorney Jennifer Zilavy, and myself met with Ms. Juana Jessica Torres regarding her request for "Change of Conditions." We reiterated the position of the Beld Street residents regarding late night operating hours for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday or Ms. Torres compromise of late night closing (bar time) on Friday and Saturday. The Beld Street residents have experienced late night closing (bar time) with R's place, and Sol Atecza. When Ms. Torres met with the residents in August/September 2017 prior to the appearing before the ALRC; the Beld Street residents spoke candidly about their experience, concerns, and desire to have a family style restaurant in the neighborhood that would close nightly at 10:00 pm.

Although, we did not have a neighborhood meeting in the traditional sense due to the frigid weather; I did receive several comments that confirmed the residents' position desiring a nightly close time of 10:00 pm. Therefore, we appear before the ALRC governing body to request that you reaffirm the operating hours approved on September 13, 2017.

Conditions:

1. Establishment will close Sunday through Saturday at 10:00 pm.
This condition is necessary to protect the health and safety of the community.
2. Establishment will keep any amplified sound speakers directed towards South Park Street.
3. The establishment must meet the definition of a restaurant as defined by Madison General Ordinance 38.02 always.

Thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

Alder Sheri Carter