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Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 3:05 PM
To: Parks, Timothy
Cc: Bidar-Sielaff, Shiva; Eskrich, Sara; O'Callaghan, Daniel A (20117)
Subject: For Tonight's Plan Commission Hearing on Hotel Red

Dear Mr. Parks, Ms. Bidar-Sielaff and Ms. Eskrich and Mr. O'Callaghan,

Although I am unable to attend tonight's meeting, I would appreciate my comments being submitted or addressed somehow to the Plan Commission.

I live in the neighborhood of Hotel Red and would like to express my opposition to the addition of four stories to Hotel Red and associated outdoor spaces. My reasons are as follows:

- The height of the hotel was thoroughly discussed at meetings when Hotel Red was first proposed. At that time neighborhood opposition was quite well expressed: the larger shadow of the building, the height with relation to the Field House, and more traffic and greater congestion on this busy corner and in the alleyway as well as parking on the streets, were all objections discussed and offered as reasons to reject these additional floors.

- I would like to add another reason to disagree with the issuance of conditional use approvals on this project. With the Associated Bank's move to the nearby corner of Monroe and Oakland, and the possible drive-through allowed, the congestion in this small area along Monroe Street and its intersection with Regent Street will be worse. Even if the drive-through is not allowed, there will be more stop-and-go traffic to and from the bank, adding to the congestion potentially created by more hotel and restaurant guests.

- Although I could not reach anyone this afternoon to speak to about the traffic impact of the Monroe Street reconstruction to begin in 2018, I assume it will redirect traffic and likely increase bottlenecks at this intersection. I cannot begin to contemplate the long lines of traffic that will be present there if cranes, delivery trucks, and all the additional equipment to build Hotel Red's additional floors is allowed. As of a couple of years ago, I know that Monroe Street had thousands of more cars a day on it than Regent Street west of this intersection. If many drivers switch to travel on Regent Street during the reconstruction, this intersection's congestion may not diminish at all.

Thank you for considering my points.

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