

Dear Committee,

As the previous Neighborhood board president, and a nearby resident, I strongly oppose (as the VNA board did when this issue first came up) the applicant's request to be able to smoke onsite. The applicant seeks to use a 14' commercial smoker in close proximity to residential homes which the Plan Commission found violated the requirements for a conditional use permit for both quality of life and health risks to existing properties. The applicants agreed to this condition on their alcohol license in exchange for the license in this already densely saturated alcohol license district with the knowledge that if Plan Commission approved their conditional use permit they would have to come back to ALRC. On the day of the demonstration of the smoker, the entire area filled with smoke including my own backyard and the smoke could be smelled in my home. I have attached a video of the proposed smoker for your reference. I respectfully request that you deny this appeal to remove the condition restricting onsite smoking for this applicant.

Sincerely,
David Gevers