

Beattie, Kelly

From: Schopieray, Christine
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 9:02 AM
To: Bowden, Anissa; Beattie, Kelly; Beaudry, Jacqueline
Subject: FW: DDA Board Member Resignation

Please read and keep for your files, the resignation notice in the email below.

From: Sava Farah [<mailto:sava@savcohospitality.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 2:16 PM
To: Susan Pollay
Subject: Re: meeting?

Susan,

Happy new Year to you and thanks for your patience. My family and I are just getting back from our holiday vacation and you've been on the top of my mind.

I must start out by apologizing for my limited availability for the DDA but more importantly my poor communication with you, Susan. You are such a great role model and inspiration to me (and many other women in this town) and I have so appreciated your leadership on the board, and in the community. My late responses are a poor of showing you my appreciation.

Well, we've been meaning to catch up with you for over a month about turning up on the heat on my role with the DDA. I don't know where the time goes. Unbelievable frankly. Since then, of course things have been busy at work with the holidays but we have really been struggling with reliable childcare over the past few months and boy can that flip things on their head. Both grandmas are busy dealing with aging step parents and a bunch of other crazy life stuff all happening at once and, well, life is happening. At the same time I am going through a difficult site plan review process in Superior Twp. all while my husband started a new business which took off unexpectedly and that work has taken him out of town. Ann Arbor now has a new, and thriving, NFL agent meanwhile these factors have taken me away from a lot of my additional responsibilities and top of that list is my participation on the DDA.

As a result of my tight schedule for the foreseeable future, I don't believe I can give the DDA the proper attention and that I should resign from the DDA. It saddens me deeply to have to send this letter but I believe it is best for the the organization to replace me with a member who can contribute more, while I continue to be your #1 cheerleader, support form the outside and continue to do our small part in making Ann Arbor the best downtown in Michigan! Which I believe it already is. Being a part of the DDA for almost a year has been an incredible experience and I am so appreciative for the opportunity you and Christopher Taylor gave me, and the trust you had in me. Though this was not the right fit for my crazy life right now, I do hope to stay involved and engaged in our community and can always be counted on oil any way you guys may need me, or my organization in the future.

Please let me know the best way to proceed. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

All my best,
Sava Farah