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Sent: Wednesday, July 05, 2017 12:17 PM **To:** Planning < Planning@a2gov.org>

Subject: Ann Arbor Distilling Company hearing

Dear members of the Ann Arbor Planning Commission,

I am a member of the Threads All Arts Festival team and am writing to you regarding the Ann Arbor Distilling Company hearing that is taking place later today.

As an Ann Arbor community member, I feel very strongly about the importance of having spaces for expression, art, and communal gathering. The Ann Arbor Distilling Company is an excellent space for these purposes, and I have attended a number of fantastic community events there.

This year the <u>Threads All Arts Festival</u> team chose the Ann Arbor Distilling Company because it is the most conducive to the immersive artistic experience we are curating.

I am writing to you all to express how central the Distilling Company is to the community of Ann Arbor as a venue space. I sincerely hope that the planning commission will take this to heart today when considering whether to approve the Distilling Company as a venue.

Thank you very much for your time. I ask that this letter be circulated to the members of the planning commission and added to the public record.

Sincerely,

Andrea Wilk