



June 20, 2017

Ann Arbor City Planning Commission
Larcom City Hall
301 E Huron St, 2nd Floor
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you today in support of the Ann Arbor Distillery. I believe they go before Planning Commission today, June 20th, as they are trying to be rezoned so as to host special events.

I have no direct connection to the Distillery other than being a fan of the business and the product and a supporter of independent businesses like this in Ann Arbor. This issue was brought to my attention by my good friend, Abigail Johnson, who is looking to hold her wedding reception there this fall. Beyond the fact that I would love to see my friend be able to keep her wedding local and make use of an excellent venue, I truly believe this is a situation where we need to support and foster the unique local businesses that make Ann Arbor the special place that it is.

This is a company we can be proud of. One offering an original product with our city's name in the title, winning awards on a national level, providing a neighbor meeting spot and playing host to community driven events like the A2 Jazz Fest and or course local weddings and parties.

I believe they deserve the support of the Planning Commission in their efforts to re-zone to a use appropriate for hosting events and I encourage the commissioners to vote as such on June 20th.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan Tobias". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ryan Tobias