

May 24, 2012

Ann Arbor City Planning Commission

RE: MAPLE COVE APARTMENTS AND VILLAGE / Project No. SP 12-004

Dear Respected Planning Commissioner:

On behalf of the developers of the Maple Cove Apartments and Village, we wish to apologize for not being in attendance during the last Planning Commission meeting on May 1, 2012 in which the commission tabled the recommendation of project to seek clarification from Traffic Engineer. It was our belief that all applicable issues/concerns were raised during the initial meeting (April 15, 2012) in which the commission approved the recommendation of the plans to City Council. Furthermore, due to technical issues from the City involving providing notice, there was a need for this follow up meeting. Since we did not receive any communications from the community members during this period we didn't feel it was necessary to attend for comments.

We want to address any concerns of the board and lay concerns raised regarding project safety and our intentions. We want you to know that the developers are a team of siblings, all born and raised in the great city of Ann Arbor and are end products of the Ann Arbor Public School system. My family and I have a strong vested interest in the community, as we too are longstanding members of Ann Arbor. We have made a commitment to remain in this great community to raise our families and invest in it.

We want you to be reassured that we are working very hard to ensure that this project serves in the best interest of the community while addressing the market needs for both single family and apartment living space. We have selected a team of local and reputable civil engineers and architects to work on this project in an effort to ensure best methods/techniques and advancements are utilized to facilitate the plans of the project.

In closing, we'd like to reiterate and elevate any concerns by reminding you that a significant amount of time, research and resources have been spent into the planning phase of this project. The plans before you meet all applicable code and, more importantly, are not a threat to the safety and welfare of the community. If there were any safety issues raised during the review process we would not have moved ahead with the plan. It is our intention to facilitate the plans in the best manner possible while ensuring that everything is in accordance with the city of Ann Arbor code. My family and I look forward to living, working and investing in the future of this great city.

Sincerely,

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