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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF (insert purpose here)
July 20, 2023

WHEREAS, the Ann Arbor Renters Commission purpose is to advise the City Council and City Administrator on matters affecting renters in the City of Ann Arbor;

WHEREAS, the Ann Arbor Renters Commission shall propose, evaluate, recommend policies, practices, or laws that affect renters in the City;

WHEREAS, the Ann Arbor Renters Commission has received communication from residents who have lost their housing due to the approval of a proposed site plan that contains the property in which they are tenants;

WHEREAS, the market for residential tenants is highly competitive in Ann Arbor, making it difficult for residents to quickly find new housing options;

WHEREAS, Chapter 55.28.4 of the Ann Arbor City Code currently requires that parties seeking redevelopment of a property must notify surrounding property owners, addresses, and registered neighborhood groups at least ten (10) days prior to a Citizen Participation Meeting;

WHEREAS the City of Ann Arbor Planning Services Department (Planning Services) is required to furnish the party seeking redevelopment with a list of all addresses requiring notification as outlined above;

WHEREAS, all residents, renters, and tenants should be treated equitably;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ann Arbor Renters Commission urges Planning Services to include the mailing address of current residents and/or tenants of a site in addition to property owners, addresses and registered neighborhood groups surrounding the site when providing this information to redevelopment applicants.

OPTION 1: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Renters Commission suggests that the Ann Arbor City Council amend Chapter 55 of the city code to ensure that current residents and/or tenants of a redevelopment site be explicitly included in the list of required notifications as part of the Citizen Notification Requirements currently outlined in Chapter 55 Section 5.28.4.

OPTION 2: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Renters Commission requests to assist the Planning Commission in the process to amend Chapter 55 section 5.28.4 with the goal of better informing current and prospective tenants of redevelopment sites.

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