

From: Michaele Bradford

Sent: Friday, July 25, 2014 3:54 PM

To: DiLeo, Alexis; Hieftje, John; Kailasapathy, Sumi; Briere, Sabra; Lumm, Jane; Petersen, Sally; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Kunselman, Stephen; Eaton, Jack; Teall, Margie; Warpehoski, Chuck; Anglin, Mike

Subject: Support for the AAHC Platt Rd. Project

Hello,

I am writing in support of the proposed Ann Arbor Housing Commission's Platt Road project. As a resident of the Packard and Carpenter area, I drive past the current Platt Road development frequently. The current structures are an eyesore, and not to mention, unsafe for residents to live in due to flooding. The proposed plans look very sophisticated, in contrast. The variety of units with different numbers of bedrooms will make it more efficient for current residents to move within the community when family composition changes, rather than having to move to different properties altogether. The structures themselves look beautiful, and the green construction and energy-efficiency will make it that much more affordable for residents.

I would also just like to point out to all of the project's detractors claiming that all of the affordable housing gets dumped on the southeast side of the city, that the Ann Arbor Housing Commission currently owns and operates affordable housing on this property anyway; that this project will be an effort to make the housing nicer, safer, and more energy-efficient, not just for the residents, but for neighbors, as well. Also, those who live day-to-day on lower incomes should not be made to feel like they are the dregs of the community, with neighbors complaining about having to reside next to affordable housing properties. I hope this sentiment is made known publicly, as I am sure Ann Arbor takes pride in the diversity of its residents, and does not desire to make any members of the community feel unwanted.

Very Sincerely,

Michaele Bradford

3107 Scenic Lake Dr., Apt. 7

Ann Arbor, MI 48108

954.235.3313

--

Michaele Bradford

MSW Candidate, December 2014

Secretary, Child Welfare Student Association

University of Michigan School of Social Work