## **Ann Arbor Fire Department** Fire Safety Inspection Program/Fee Schedule **Community Work Group**

January 11, 2018

Honorable Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Ann Arbor and Members of the Ann Arbor City Council Mr. Howard Lazarus, City Administrator City of Ann Arbor, Larcom Municipal Building 301 East Huron Street Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

## **RE: Fire Inspection Program**

Dear Mayor Taylor, Members of the City Council, and Mr. Lazarus,

We are writing in support of the proposed changes to the Fire Prevention Bureau's Fire Inspection Program. We support the changes in fees and structure including the implementation of the selfinspection pilot program for hotels.

The Ann Arbor Fire Inspection Program is a strong positive for the city due to its impact on life safety and property loss reduction.

We appreciate that the Fire Department's ISO rating was recently lowered to 3 and urge City Council to takes steps to ensure that this rating change is permanent.

We would like to thank the Fire Department staff for taking our input and working to make changes to the program that we feel make a good program even better.

We would specifically like to thank the following Fire Department Staff who spent a great deal of time gathering data working with us.

Ellen Taylor, Assistant Fire Chief Kathleen Summersgill, Acting Fire Marshal Andy Box, Interim Assistant Fire Chief

Warm Regards,

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