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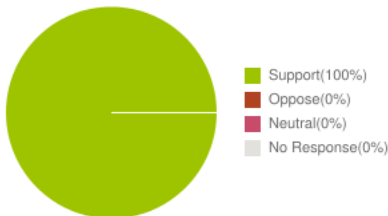
eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
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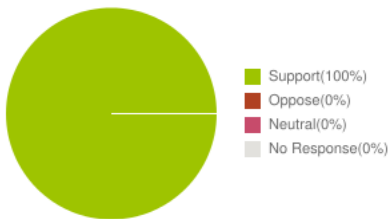
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Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
DC-2 20-0438 Resolution Directing the Planning Commission to Create a Transit Supported Development District	3	3	0	0
DC-5 20-0507 Resolution to Recognize Outstanding Contributions and Service to the City of Ann Arbor by Ethel "Eppie" Potts	1	1	0	0

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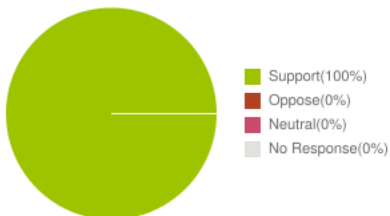
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Agenda Item: eComments for DC-2 20-0438 Resolution Directing the Planning Commission to Create a Transit Supported Development District

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Julie Connochie

Location:

Submitted At: 5:54pm 04-06-20

The housing challenges we face as a City are complex, but it is important to realize that a do-nothing-change-nothing approach is why we are here today. Will increasing density around bus stops alone solve our affordability crisis? No. Does that mean it's not a worthwhile policy to explore? Also no. Creating a T-1 district is a step in the right direction, and one that is long overdue. It will increase housing supply while also making progress towards the City's sustainability goals. Density, walkability, and transit access make great places. Sprawl and traffic do not. I think a context-sensitive approach is absolutely achievable, but the Council must first let the PC explore this

issue further and put forth a real proposal.

J. Bruce Fields

Location:

Submitted At: 5:22pm 04-06-20

Ann Arbor has been adding new students and new jobs without allowing housing to keep up. The continuing rise in commuter miles and housing prices is a predictable result. The new downtown zoning was a good step. But downtown will always be the most expensive place to build, and beds downtown haven't even kept up with student enrollment. We need to do more.

Revising the zoning along major transit corridors is an obvious next step. It would allow many more people to live closer to work, and bring more ridership to our AAATA, allowing further service improvements. Allowing some of our 80,000 daily in-commuters to live closer, and shifting the modal share towards buses, would be a big step towards meeting the city's climate goals. Nothing about this commits us to actually rezone anything--a vote against this would be a vote against even considering the possibility in the future. I know we're smarter than that.

Stephen C Brown

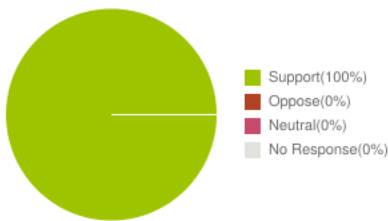
Location:

Submitted At: 4:38pm 03-28-20

I support DC-3 to direct the Planning Commission to create a transit-supported T1 zoning district. This will support the Master Planning Process, and revive this initiative first proposed in 2008! For 12 years, various recommendations to zone for higher density housing & mixed use zoning along transit corridors has been proposed with no action by Council. We can implement the plans we have and respect the countless hours of community input & planning taken so far while updating the current plan, especially as this approach will ALLOW desperately needed new housing while improving our overall quality of life in more corners of our city and help us reach our carbon neutrality goals but shortening commutes & trips for many. Property owners are not forced to comply with the T1 zoning, just be allowed to ask Council to approve such developments on a case by case basis.

Agenda Item: eComments for DC-5 20-0507 Resolution to Recognize Outstanding Contributions and Service to the City of Ann Arbor by Ethel "Eppie" Potts

Overall Sentiment



Kai Petainen

Location:

Submitted At: 4:15pm 04-06-20

I'm sure that Eppie and I had differing political views, but I respected her a lot. If I could live to 95 and have that much energy, drive, vigor and passion in local issues... it would be quite remarkable and lucky. I honestly thought she was 20 years younger! I hope that Eppie can be acknowledged in some significant way. Whether that is some sort of place that is named after her, or some sort of award (Eppie Potts citizen award), or something... I hope it can be done. I didn't know Eppie personally that well and so I don't know what to suggest, but I hope her family/friends would have a good idea of something that would be meaningful and appropriate. I am sad that she is gone, and she was one of the '3-minute-folks' that I admired a lot. I know she did a lot more than just those 3-minute talks, but that is the portion that I know her from. It's nice to see some acknowledgement of her here, but I hope something else could be done in the future as well.