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To All MPC Members:

I want to express my opposition to the requested zoning change at 3605 Middlebrook.

This property is currently zoned residential (R-2) and I believe it should remain as such. There are homes situated only a few feet behind the property and a graveyard directly across the closed end of Keith Avenue. I doubt any of the MPC members would want to live in such close proximity to any business. Even though we in West View are less affluent we should not be discriminated against.

I further believe the parking on this property is inadequate to support ANY zoning change that permits display or storage out front. Because of the shortage of parking the residents living behind the property (on Keith) will surely find their street blocked by customers who fear entering/exiting Middlebrook traffic.

The request for this outdoor storage/display zoning is a poor attempt to disguise the fact that the building is not large enough for the purpose put forward. The city has recently learned some difficult lessons (in other parts of our town) concerning the "flea market" atmosphere that comes from businesses being allowed to clutter the roadway/sidewalks with "merchandise".

Further, I wonder why any "antique" shop would want to place its merchandise outside underneath blue tarps at any time. A used furniture store would do this, but a true antique shop would not. Again this is an attempt to utilize a building that is too small for a thinly disguised purpose.

I was in attendance at the agenda review on Tuesday and it was mentioned that there had been changes to the property (i.e. satellite dish removed). While this is true I understood that the business COULD

NOT continue to operated in any form. If this is accurate it has not been enforced.

Pictures were introduced at the agenda review that proves without doubt that our neighborhood has not been provided with adequate legal notice due to the "wandering sign".

I do not believe any ethical and concerned MPC member could vote for anything other than a postponement because of this signage problem.

I grew up in West View and it was a wonderful place to be a child. My family bought our 2 1/2 unimproved lots in 1952 and cleared them. My grandfather built the house I now live in and my father built the other one. Today's West View is not the same place. Please do not place further burden on a fragile neighborhood.

Vote against this zoning change or at minimum for postponement of this issue.

Sincerely

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From: Sarah Powell
To: Betty Jo Mahan
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Subject: Fwd: This and That

>>> Polly <pdoka@comcast.net> 9/9/2010 9:24 AM >>>
Hello,

This picture of the This and That store was taken this morning. This is why we want a zoning that doesn't allow for outside storage or sales. This does not appear to be antiques. Clearly the spirit nor the letter of the law is engaged here. This photo reflects a time when the owner should be on best behavior, perhaps this is the case. Please don't saddle zoning enforcement or this neighborhood with another burden.

Thank you.

Polly Doka
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