Woodville Community Action Organization

FROM: Pamela Anderson, President

TO: Metropolitan Planning Commission

SUBJECT: ZONING TEXT AMMENDMENT APPLICATION

DATE: October 26, 2026

PETITION: # 26-003992-2A

Greetings,

In response to the Zone Text Amendment Application, Woodville is once again challenged by the Woodville Community Plan 2012 in reference to Affordable Housing or just Housing in a neighborhood rich in history and building generational wealth. Now we have to justify why we continue to build housing in our neighborhood. At some point the challenge is overwhelming to advocate for housing and then here comes the Daycares/Adult Home Care in homes. I understand the need, but I oppose the Zoning Text Amendment that would apply to Woodville.

Woodville is a very visible neighborhood now that housing is on the move and available. Woodville infrastructure is old, yet we continue to thrive. Woodville currently have a Daycare Center for infants to Kindergarten. Butterfield Learning Academy formerly Thompsons Daycare Center on Roberts Street has been in Woodville since the early 1970s and has continued to thrive today. It is a Monday thru Friday operating daycare from 6:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. To have sustained a daycare, the Woodville Cemetery at the dead end of the Roberts Street and the Curtis V. Cooper Center is commendable. Let alone on a very narrow street. Yet Woodville residents have been very receptive to every walk of life challenges.

The lots in Woodville that you're making this text amendment to invite these Daycare Centers/Adult Centers could serve as homes to several families American Dream. The same for the Albion Street property owned by Mr. Pedro Castro, the property at 32 King Street and the property at 245 Alfred Street adjacent to the Radio Station. I caution you to please be very careful and respectful of our residents in the neighborhood. Woodville residents can hardly drive through our own neighborhood without being inundated with traffic. We are surrounded by light to heavy industry. I wonder how many of you have taken a ride through our neighborhoods to actually see the decisions you make and the impact on the communities. No, you would not understand because you do not come to see the areas, you just look at a map and say this may work. Next, you will be running the residents that can afford to move away from the neighborhood that welcomed them. So, we are now extending the limit in some areas from 5 to 12 for home daycares. Our streets are already fractured with very limited parking on home premises, let alone if you have more occupants to enter and leave the premises daily.

It is now time for the city council, commissioners and administrations that represent this great city and county to really do some work for the communities.

Thank you,

Pamela Anderson, President