



March 8, 2017

Reverend Glenn Grayson Center that Cares 2701 Centre Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Via email: <a href="mailto:glenngrayson@aol.com">glenngrayson@aol.com</a>

RE: Jeron X. Grayson Center Parking Lot Expansion

Dear Reverend Grayson:

On behalf of the Hill District's Development Review Panel (DRP), we offer this letter of support to the Center that Cares based on your November 2016 submission for the Jeron X. Grayson Center parking lot expansion proposal.

The mission of the Hill CDC is to work in partnership with residents and stakeholders to create, promote, and implement strategies and programs that connect plans, policies and people to drive compelling community development opportunities in the Greater Hill District. The Hill CDC is responsible for facilitating the implementation of the Greater Hill District Master Plan, specifically addressing any community concerns regarding redevelopment and economic opportunities in the area. The DRP is a partnership with the Hill District Consensus Group that streamlines community level review while assuring transparency and sufficient community feedback.

The parking lot expansion proposal scored a cumulative 99 out of 100 points at the DRP and community review levels. This score indicates that the plan resoundingly aligns with the Greater Hill District Master Plan. A few noteworthy points that emerged during the review process as you move forward with your expansion plans are as follows:

- Give consideration to adding more greenspace to the project.
- Ensure proper notice is given to surrounding neighbors to inform them of the parking lot's expansion.

We wish you the best in your development endeavors. We ask that any subsequent changes to the scope of your project be shared with the Hill CDC and Development Review Panel at the

time that they occur to assure the community remains on the same page throughout your implementation stage.

Again, we wish you much success and look forward to supporting this very important project. Congratulations!

Sincerely,

Marimba Milliones
President and CEO

Cc:

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