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Michael Hanlon  
City Clerk  
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**Re:** Bill No. 48-2019 Amends the Zoning Code, Article 1327.03.Z.4 to read "In addition to any storage area contained inside multi-family building dwelling units, there shall be provided for each dwelling unit that has a "habitable floor area" (as defined in Section 1302.01) of less than 700 square feet a minimum of ~~35~~ **16** square feet of storage area in a convenient location (such as a basement) where personal belongings and effects may be stored without constituting a fire hazard and where the belongings and effects may be kept locked and separated from belongings of other occupants".

Dear Mr. Hanlon:

Please be advised that at the monthly meeting of the Allentown City Planning Commission held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, the Commission reviewed the above-referenced amendment to the City's Zoning Code requested by Davison & McCarthy Professional Corporation for City Center Investment Corporation.

After further discussion, the Commission recommended amending the bill to either remove this requirement from the Zoning Ordinance or amend to provide a minimum height requirement for the square footage of storage space.

If you have any questions concerning this action, please contact me.

Yours very truly,

Irene Woodward, AICP  
Director of Planning

Enclosure

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Xc: Mayor Ray O'Connell  
Leonard Lightner, Director of Community & Economic Development  
Atty. Dennis McCarthy – Davison & McCarthy Professional Corporation  
J. B. Reilly – City Center Investment Corporation