

GOOD EVENING.

MY NAME IS DIANE GIBSON AND I LIVE AT 444 N. 7TH STREET,
ALLENTOWN, PA.

I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS LIVING IN THE 400,
500 AND 600 BLOCKS OF NORTH 7TH STREET WHO WOULD BE
IMPACTED WITH THE REVISION AND ON BEHALF OF SOME
MERCHANTS.

I'M HERE TO FORMALLY AND JOINTLY VOICE OUR DISSENT TO
THE ALLENTOWN PARKING AUTHORITY OR APA'S REVISION TO ZONE
2 THAT IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE EFFECT OCTOBER 1ST.

AS YOU KNOW, WE CURRENTLY ARE ABLE TO PARK ON OUR
STREET FOR A RENEWAL ANNUAL FEE OF \$20.00.

THE REVISION WILL ALLOW US TO PARK ON OTHER ZONE 2
BLOCKS BUT JUST NOT ON THE STREET WE LIVE ON.

THE OTHER ALTERNATIVE IS TO PARK IN A NEWLY DEVELOPED
LOT ON THE 500 BLOCK FOR A MONTHLY, NOT ANNUAL, A MONTHLY
FEE OF \$20.00, SAME TO INCREASE YEARLY.

OUR DISSENT IS TWOFOLD – UNFAIRNESS AND HARDSHIP
UNFAIR IN THAT OTHER BUSINESS DISTRICTS ARE NOT BEING HELD

TO SAME RESTRICTIONS SUCH AS, 19TH AND LINDEN, WALNUT, 400
BLOCK LINDEN, AND 8TH STREET.

GRANT IT 7TH STREET IS THE MAIN CORRIDOR INTO THE CITY
AND BY FAR THE BUSIEST – NOT TO MENTION IT SHARES SOME
AUTHORITY WITH PENN DOT. NONETHELESS, APA IS STILL
ACCOUNTABLE TO THIS BOARD, THIS ADMINISTRATION.

N. 7TH STREET HAS ALWAYS ENJOYED A MIXED-USE ZONING –
THERE WAS A TIME WHEN ALL THE STORE FRONTS WERE CLOSED.
THEN THANKS TO ECONOMIC URBAN DEVELOPMENT, 1 BY 1 BEGAN
TO GET OCCUPIED UNTIL THEY WERE ALL OCCUPIED.

THEN IT WAS DETERMINED TO CONVERT FIRST FLOOR HOMES
INTO COMMERCIAL SPACES. AND THUS, WE NOW HAVE MORE
BUSINESSES AT STREEL LEVEL THAN NON-BUSINESS.

FOR THE ECONOMIC URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO ACCOMPLISH
ITS GOAL, THE PARKING MANDATES FOR THE BUSINESSES WERE
WAIVED.

WE SUBMIT THAT THE PLAN SCHEDULED TO BE
IMPLEMENTED WAS MADE IN A VACCUM, WITH NO RESIDENTS

INPUT AND IN TOTAL DISREGARD OF THE IMPACT THE PLAN WOULD HAVE ON THE RESIDENTS THAT HAVE SUSTAINED N. 7TH STREET, THROUGH GOOD AND BAD TIMES.

TAKE ME FOR EXAMPLE, I'VE LIVED AT THIS ADDRESS FOR 46 YEARS – I RAISED MY FAMILY THERE.

I RECENTLY RETIRED, MY HUSBAND IS SELF-EMPLOYED AND IS SLOWING DOWN. HE NEEDS HIS CAR TO WORK AND I NEED MY CAR TO GET TO DOCTORS' APPOINTMENTS. AS YOU SEE, I WALK WITH A CANE. TO GET TO MY CAR, PARKED ON 400 BLOCK OF 7TH STREET IT'S A JOURNEY.

AS IT IS, IT'S A CHALLENGE TO FIND PARKING IN OUR OWN BLOCK – THE SUGGESTION THAT WE WILL FIND PARKING IN THE OTHER ZONE 2 BLOCKS IS TRULY UNREALISTIC.

HENCE, COMPELLING US TO PARK AT THE DESIGNATED LOT BUT AT A FINANCIAL HARSHIP.

FINANCIALLY, OUR HOUSEHOLD IS ON A SEMI FIXED INCOME – SOON TO BE A HOUSEHOLD ON A FIXED INCOME. AND WE ARE NOT THE ONLY ONES ON 7TH STREET WITH LIMITED INCOME AND /OR WITH HEALTH ISSUES.

THE PLAN TO FREE UP STREET PARKING WOULD BE TO
ACCOMMODATE OTHERS WHO DO NOT LIVE IN THESE BLOCKS. AGAIN,
FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BUSINESSES.

WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE PLAN TO IMPLEMENT
THE REVISION BE DELAYED FOR ONE YEAR TO ALLOW FOR
COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND TO EXPLORE CREATIVE
ALTERNATIVES, SUCH AS PARK AND SHOP.

THE RESIDENTS ARE ASKING SIMPLY TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE
TO PARK ON THE STREET THEY LIVE IN, AT AN AFFORDABLE FEE.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

THE RESIDENTS OF N. 7TH STREET.

ZONE TWO RESIDENTIAL PARKING

ESTACIONAMIENTO RESIDENCIAL ZONA DOS

PETITION/PETICION

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- a.) Park in the new 7A Lot; and
- b.) Pay for the permit price of \$20.00 per month for the first year – fee to be increased thereafter.

Los suscritos, residents de las cuadras 400, 500 y 600 de la Calle N. 7th, por este medio nos oponemos a la resolucioin que comenzara el 1 de Octubre 2021, que nos indica:

- a.) Estacionar en el nuevo lote 7A (esquina de la Calle 7 & Allen); y
- b.) Pagar por un permiso por un costo de \$20.00 por mes durante el primer ano- costo que aumentara mas adelante.

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Miriam Alvarez	407 N 7th St #2	484 242-0027	q1091hmarver04@gmail.com	3
Vincent Flores	426 North	484 949 3721		2
Luz E. Romain		610-462-1543	440 N 7th	3/2
Aura P. Puga		484 550 2236	436 N 7th	1
Rebeca Torres	430 N 7th St			1/1
Luis Perez	434 N 7th St Apt 1			1/1
Brigitte Parks	439 N 7th	484 714 6296		2/2
THOMAS GIBSON	444 N 7th St	610 417 2592		1/1
Diane Gibson	444 N 7th St	484 553 7086		1/1

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- Luz Posso	424 N 7th St Apt 111	484-649-5322	salsera11200@gmail.com	2/2
- Paul Sanchez				
Romero Pacheco	422 N 7th	484 3476991		3/2
Erica Miranda	418 N 7th 2nd flr	484 8026076		1/1
Ana Montanez	412 N 7th ST	484-632-7517		2 cars
Lvanita Montanez	412 N 7th ST	484-640-7780		1 car
Jennifer Lopez	404 N 7th St Apt 2	518-847-3698	jenlopez.26@gmail.com	1
Maxy Aerts	402 N 7th 7th St Apt 3	917-886-5437	MRBA 2001@gmail	1
Minnet Valerio	403 N 7th St Apt 2	484 358 7517		2/2

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Scott Bark		484-858-4706		#2 Just moved in
Noemi Deleon	617 N 7th	610-432-2784		1
Al Klean	617 N-7th	610 432 2686		1
Boris Rencore	611 N 7TH ST, ALLENTOWN PA 18102			610 439 8644
	611 N. 7TH Street ALLENTOWN, PA. 18102			610 439 8644
WALDE SUPPLY	637 N 7TH ST			484.201.976
JOSE L GUTIERREZ	601 N 7TH ST			444 5441
Amanda MARTINEZ	601 N 7TH ST	484-860-5590		516 44-5441

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Christine Serrano	512 N 7 th St.	347-209-3087	cserrano0120@gmail	
Josh Blampied	514 N 7 th St	321 488-4407	jblampied88@gmail.com	2
Rudolpha Reyes	520 ^{#2}	484.261.5629		
Ana Ortiz	522 N 7 th St ^{#2}	4845069782	anita.199411@gmail.com anita.ortiz@gmail.com	1 1994
Nancy Mejia	524 N 7 th St ^{#2}	347-773-8897		1
Sandy S.	484 522-1862	623 N 7 th St		1
Lynne Placencia		484-862-2512	623 N 7	
Jenny Marte		484-522-1925	625 N 7 #1	
Ana Celia Rosario		809 762 7333	625 N 7	