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2824 The Plaza  
Charlotte, NC 28205

RE: Re-zoning Petition 2008-130

Dear Charlotte Mecklenburg Re-Zoning,

The public community meeting was held at 2824 The Plaza at 6:00pm on August 21<sup>st</sup>. There were three people in attendance, one of them being on the Neighborhood Association Board, the second a member of the Rich Ave Home Owners Association, and the third a local area Realtor. Several other people RSVP and did not show up. Three or four people called and expressed support and asked questions, but decided not to attend the meeting.

Issa Rafidi gave a short presentation on the site plan and then held an hour long discussion about the plan. The discussion items were: parking, entry way, lighting, restoring the mill house look, signage, occupancy, and screening. Coming out of the meeting Issa planned to present the project to the Noda Association with more detail on September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

No changes were discussed that would affect the rezoning petition.

Sincerely,

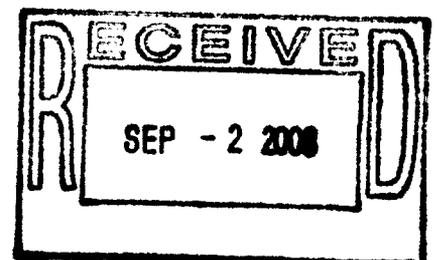
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Please see the following attachments:

- 1 – Meeting sign in sheet.
- 2 – Listings of neighbors to which notice of meeting was mailed.

3- Mailed INVITE LETTER. POST MARKED 8/28/08



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2824 The Plaza  
Charlotte, NC 28205  
August 6, 2008

Dear NoDa area Neighbors,

By now you should have received a re-zoning petition (2008-130) regarding an old mill house I own at 529 Charles Avenue (at the corner with North Davidson Ave). I met a couple of neighbors at the open forum meeting last night who were wondering what the request is for, as the city notice does not say. At a high level, I am looking to convert that house to be used first as a catering business, and secondly as a neighborhood evening restaurant. I will be using the existing mill house structure, but giving it a major overhaul so that it is attractive and appealing to patrons.

Of course, you ask "What kind of restaurant will it be?" While the concept has not yet been thoroughly detailed, the goal will be to create a unique, cozy and inviting setting, and to keep the food at a high level of excellence. Running the restaurant will fall in the hands of Chef Michael Taylor, whose resume includes Quail Hollow Country Club, Colony Grill, and Pewter Rose.

I would like to invite you to a public meeting to discuss the proposal. The meeting will be held at our office at **2824 The Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28205 at 6:00pm, August 21th**. I look forward to meeting you there; please RSVP to 704.763.9602 or my email address below.

Thank you,  
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