

RE: P19-0267, 2161 E. Main Street

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Sent: Friday, April 3, 2020 6:23:19 PM

To: Christina Fugazi <Christina.Fugazi@stocktonca.gov>

Subject: Protest for 2263 E Main St

Hello Ms Fugazi,

My name is Mrs Debra Ellison - Jones. I reside at 2251 E Sonora St Stockton Ca 95205.

It has been brought to my attention that a gentleman by the name of Michael Reeves has intentions of opening a bar at 2263 E. Main St Stockton Ca 95205.

This potential bar is directly in front of my residence on Main Street. This is both a residential and commercial neighborhood. There is a thriving beauty school one door down. The Young adults attending the school have invested financially into this business to learn skills that will give them independence and financial freedom.

There is a alcoholic Anonymous Rehab center 2 doors down, where men are struggling to recover from trauma and abuse of alcoholism. There is a church 4 doors down where young children, seniors and single mothers attend morning and evening services. Having another alcohol establishment in a minority neighborhood will devalue the positive potential in which this neighborhood can and has grown into. This neighborhood is striving to restore and create a positive atmosphere in our surrounding areas. We do not need another alcohol dispensing establishment in our neighborhood nor the type of people that will attracted to come into our neighborhood. There are families with children living on either side of my house. A bar is definitely not a positive influence for families. I have lived here for many many years. There was previously a bar (Pepes) in that same building, and it was always trouble. The police were always being called due to fighting, shooting, car accidents, people vs cars accidents, stabbings, just to name a few. There is no parking except for in front of our homes. Loud music, prostitutes having sex in vehicles and on the street in front of our homes. Trash, alcohol containers, beer bottles and cans in front of our homes. Drugs dealing some that has gone bad and caused terrible end results. I can go on and on about the dangers of having a bar in a residential neighborhood.

I protest the issuance of a license to serve alcohol in this neighborhood and the opening of a bar for each on of the above mentioned concerns and more. Creating additional facilities for alcohol consumption in this neighborhood will decrease safety for the residents and businesses in this area. It will counter the work Stockton and the State of California is doing to reduce DUI's, drug arrest and vandalism due to use of alcohol

Please consider investing in this neighborhood school improvements, skill development learning centers, mentorship programs and give our young people positive influences as well as ideals to be a positive business owner.

It is the strong recommendation of myself and others in this neighborhood that this business be taken elsewhere.

I hope that you take this suggestion and concerned matter seriously!

My phone number is 209 518 0532 if you would like to talk to me.

My address is above and I encourage you to contact me if you would like to discuss this situation further.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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We create our dreams for tomorrow by what we dream today,

Sincerely,

Debra

~Life isn't measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away - anonymous