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To: Cole-McFadden, Cora; Brown, Eugene; Schewel, Steve
Cc: 'Bill Bell'; Catotti, Diane; Moffitt, Don; Davis, Eddie; Bonfield, Thomas; Baker, Patrick; Gray, Ann
Subject: FW: SPAM-ALERT - Re: Housing and Transit -- Item 18. Zoning MapChange-Erwin Road at LaSalle Street

Good evening Legislative Subcommittee members:

Please find below the email mentioned during Thursday's Legislative Subcommittee meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about the citizen's request.

Thank you

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Subject: RE: SPAM-ALERT - Re: Housing and Transit -- Item 18. Zoning MapChange-Erwin Road at LaSalle Street

Phillip I am forwarding your e-mail legislative request to our staff person (Ms. Karmisha Wallace) and requesting her to add it to our legislative Committee meeting for discussion. She may want to contact you for more background data.

Thanks.

Bill
Tuesday 12/02/2104 @ 12:17pm

From: Philip Azar [<mailto:pazar@nc.rr.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 10:26 AM
To: Bill Bell

Subject: SPAM-ALERT - Re: Housing and Transit -- Item 18. Zoning MapChange-Erwin Road at LaSalle Street

Hi Bill, Understand Item 18 and the related item passed with some concessions. I hope to watch the video and see how we framed the issues.

I understand that the City Council Legislative Committee is meeting in the near future to discuss Durham's legislative agenda. On behalf of Durham InterNeighborhood Council, I'd like the Committee to consider including in the agenda:

- Seeking GA approval to install speed cameras near parks, schools and hospitals so that we can improve traffic safety in those area without diverting officers from other duties. (I know that red light cameras have some controversy attached to them, but do not believe that directly transfers to speed cameras.)
- Asking the Durham delegation to inquire with NC DOT about increasing the number bike and pedestrian questions on state driving license tests and related study materials. As our cities grow and as more people walk, bike and use transit (which requires walking or biking at the beginning and ends of transit rides), the need to raise awareness of driver obligations toward pedestrians and bikers grows.

The importance of the above two issues is highlighted by their inclusion in the INC Resolution in Support of Traffic Enforcement on Neighborhood Streets, most of which is devoted to the idea that traffic enforcement (speeding and failure to yield) is a worthwhile use of law enforcement resources in that slowing drivers and encouraging them to stop for pedestrians are low hanging fruit for improving safety and quality of life in Durham. These issues are not only important from a straight up safety perspective, but also as a sign that Durham can lead North Carolina in making sure that we have created legal, political and cultural room for greater urbanization.

Since the time of the resolution, I believe that Bike Durham has pointed out that many states require cars to give bikes a 3 foot buffer when passing and that, in North Carolina, the required buffer is only 2 feet. This, too, might well be worth addressing.

Would be delighted if you could find time to address the INC concerns, and anything that you might want to bring up as well.

Warm regards, Philip
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