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Kimberly Holien
City of Minneapolis CPED
250 South 4th Street, Room 300
Minneapolis, MN 55415

RE: Bus Stop Brewhouse – 600 S. 4th Street

Dear Kimberly:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Downtown Minneapolis Neighborhood Association regarding the sign variance application submitted by Bus Stop Brewhouse. Owner Brian Ingram initially met with the DMNA Land Use Committee on November 4, 2018, to present the liquor license application. At that time, he noted that the Dittmer bus would be on the patio, but did not indicate the need for a variance. He came back on February 5, to seek approval for the sign variance to allow for the installation of the bus.

Ingram explained that he would like to install a non-functioning historic Dittmer bus on the existing dining patio to serve as a “signage prop,” to identify the dining establishment. He stated that there would be no signage or painting of the business name or branding on the exterior of the bus.

Ingram provided photos of the bus, and reviewed the site plan for the property showing the proposed location of the bus. He explained that the bus would be entirely on private property behind an existing fence, minimizing any issues or concerns regarding the public right-of-way and limiting any visual or physical clutter. He noted that the bus is approximately 10’-0” tall, which is considerably shorter than the adjacent structure. He indicated that there would be no access to the interior of the bus. He concluded his presentation by noting that food trucks routinely park on the street in front of Bus Stop Brewhouse. He suggested that the Dittmer bus would be consistent with the public use and character of the area.

After some questions and discussion, the Land Use Committee recommended approval of signage variance for Bus Stop Brewhouse. If you have any questions about this letter, please feel free to contact me at christie@thedmna.org or by phone at 320-583-4573.

Sincerely,

Christie Rock Hantge
DMNA Neighborhood Coordinator

CC: Council Member Steve Fletcher
Joe Tamburino, DMNA Board Chair
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