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City Zoning Staff,

We are looking forward to the process of re-zoning our church property at 429 S. Broad St. In an effort to keep our neighbors informed we have had 3 meetings. Two meeting were with the West Salem Neighborhood Association and one meeting from a mail out at of church fellowship hall.

The meeting with West Salem was on March 9 and on April 11th. Salvador Patino, president invited us to share our plans with the neighborhood. We were put on the agenda in advance to give neighbors a chance to ask questions and get information.

We went over the list for our proposed IP-L zoning and shared with the group and all the things we did not think appropriate for the neighborhood. Those present were supportive and appreciative. The group thanked for sharing and keeping them informed. John Larson was also in attendance at both meetings. It was good to have him there to help with questions and concerns in the process. We appreciate Gary Roberts who we deferred to on several points for his help and expertise.

The next neighborhood meeting took place at Salem Baptist Fellowship Hall on August 31. We did a mail out to all the neighbors in advance so we could get them to the meeting. The meeting was positive with good questions. Those present thank us for inviting them and for being informative with them as to our intentions with the property and also to the things we did not want in the re-zoning. We sent the mailing to all our neighbors within 500 feet of church property.

Through the meetings the neighbors have been supportive of our efforts to be upfront and transparent to our intentions with the re-zoning.

Thank you for your consideration of our re-zoning efforts.

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