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**APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION**

APPELLANT(S): Kirk Norton

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Appeal of use permit uspl18

APPELLANT(S) SIGNATURE: Kirk Norton

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# Appellants

Kirk Norton, Arleta Casalegno,  
William Casalegno, John Paul McCormick,  
Rhonda McCormick, Kathryn Lynch,  
Ted Rabinowitch, Gayle Bowman.

The Planning Commission did even here the concerns of the neighbors directly behind the proposed bar/ dancehall. All valid concerns, such as; can their hours of having loud music or Karaoke be limited to 10:00 pm. Could the outside smoking lounge in the back be inclosed or eliminated to keep the noise down for the peace and quiet of the residents who live directly opposite its proposed site. Parking was obviously also an issue.

The above issues and concerns (among others) were brought before the Commission by a number of speakers but they were ignored, and the applicants were awarded everything they had asked for. I feel that the by magnitude of the impact on the neighbors, business owners and residents of the City of fort Bragg that we deserve to have another opportunity to be heard and listened too.

Sincerely, Kirk Norton

GAYLE BOWMAN  
P. O. Box 518  
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

June 12, 2018

Fort Bragg Planning Commission  
416 N. Franklin Street  
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Subject: Opposition to Issuance of a Permit for The Cube Party of Three to Open a Bar  
with Live Music at 336 N. Franklin Street in Fort Bragg, CA

Dear Planning Commision Members,

I am a lifelong resident and long-time business owner in Fort Bragg. My current business, Wellhouse West, is located at 311 N. Franklin Street, which is in the same block as the proposed location of The Cube Party of Three bar. I strongly oppose the issuance of the permit for the bar with live music at the proposed location for many reasons, including the following:

1. The proposed bar is within 1.5 blocks of three other bars (Tip Top, Welcome Inn, Golden West). As a property owner in the immediate area of these bars, I can personally attest to the fact that the area does not need additional bar patrons. My business incurs significant expenses and hassles dealing with the patrons at the current bars. These expenses and problems include cleaning urine, vomit, spit, and garbage from my sidewalks and parking lot; and, often dealing with abuse from drunk bar patrons.
2. The area surrounding the proposed location already has parking problems. I have a **PRIVATE** parking lot next to my business at the corner of Franklin and Redwood Streets. Many people who do not enter my store already park their cars illegally in my lot. Most of the illegal parkers are customers of the three existing bars. I do not want to have to deal with additional illegally park cars from the patrons at a new bar.
3. The area surrounding the proposed new bar is zoned for residential and commercial use. There are several apartments within a block of the proposed location. It is my understanding that the building at the proposed site is not well insulated. I believe live music at that location will be very disruptive to the residential and business owners and tenants in the area. During a recent live music event at the Golden West, the music was so loud the vibration from the music or the number of people in and around the bar caused the alarm system to go off at my business. My daughter and employee had to go down to the business very late at night to deal with the alarm.
4. The police in Fort Bragg are already unable or unwilling to deal with crimes in the area of the proposed bar. There are already significant problems with loitering, public urination, vandalism and littering in the area. The offenders are generally not arrested and/or punished by the police and judicial system.

It is my opinion that another bar in the area of so many other bars will only increase the problems and crimes in the area. I strongly hope that the Planning Commision will deny the permit application for the bar with live music at 336 N. Franklin Street.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gayle Bowman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Gayle Bowman