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Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Objection to Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014
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AREA OF PROPOSED VACATION: THE ROW AREA ADJACENT 2099 CHESTNUT PL

June 5, 2019

Eulois Cleckley

Public Works - Executive Director

Attention: Right-of-Way Services

201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608

Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Alana Barshney, and I'm a resident of the city of Denver and I've lived in Union Station North (previously Prospect) for years. I am the owner / resident of 2960 Inca Street, Unit 201.

I oppose the area of proposed vacation (The ROW area adjacent 2099 Chestnut PL) to be vacated at this time.

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Regards,

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From:	Aric Hilmas <aric@hilmascpa.com></aric@hilmascpa.com>
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Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Aric T. Hilmas, and I have had a second home in Union Station North (previously Prospect) for one year. I am the owner of 2960 Inca Street, #220, Denver, CO 80202.

I <u>oppose</u> the area of proposed vacation (The ROW area adjacent 2099 Chestnut PL) to be vacated <u>at</u> <u>this time</u>.

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Regards,

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Cc:	Bahman Shafa
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June 6, 2019

Eulois Cleckley Public Works – Executive Director Attention: Right-of-Way Services 201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608 Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Bahman Shafa, and I'm a property owner of the city of Denver and I've owned the building in Union Station North (previously Prospect) for 27 years. I am the owner of 601 W 29th Ave., Denver, CO 80202.

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We feel it is premature to vacate the ROW at this time so vote NO on the vacation request.

Regards,

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Bahman Shafa 601 W 29th Ave Denver, CO 80202 303.324.0199 shafa@focuscorporation.com

From:	Brian Haldorson <bhaldorson@abpetroleum.com></bhaldorson@abpetroleum.com>
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Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Objection to Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014
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Public Works - Executive Director

Attention: Right-of-Way Services

201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608

Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Brian Haldorson, and am the owner of 2900 Inca St #29. I received the letter dated 5/17/2019 asking if I have an objection to the proposal for the proposed vacation (project number 2017-VACA-0000014), which is located within 200' from my property.

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Sincerely,

Brian Haldorson

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Subject:	Coordinator [EXTERNAL] Objection to Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014
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Eulois Cleckley Public Works – Executive Director Attention: Right-of-Way Services 201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608 Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Chad Foutch, and I'm a resident of the city of Denver and I've lived in Union Station North (previously Prospect) for years. I am the owner/resident of 2960 Inca St. Unit 305, Denver, CO. 80202.

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Regards,

Chad Foutch 2960 Inca St. Unit 305 Denver, CO. 80202 <u>Chad.foutch@gmail.com</u> 303-746-2388

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Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 12:12 PM
To:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Hotel
Categories:	Issues

Hello my name is Chris Story. I live in Ajax lofts in Union station North. I'm am opposed to the granting of right of way for the new hotel on the corner of 20th and Chestnut. This used to be one of the few nice quiet neighborhoods in downtown and is now becoming uncomfortably busy. I'm not necessarily opposed to the new hotel but I prefer that the corner remains the same

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Clayton Vitek <clay.r.v@gmail.com> Thursday, June 6, 2019 11:47 PM PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics; Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations Coordinator [EXTERNAL] Resident Opposed - AREA OF PROPOSED VACATION: THE ROW AREA ADJACENT 2099 CHESTNUT PL</clay.r.v@gmail.com>
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June 6, 2019

Eulois Cleckley Public Works – Executive Director Attention: Right-of-Way Services 201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608 Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Clayton Vitek, and I'm a resident of the city of Denver and I've lived in Union Station North (previously Prospect) for years. I am a resident of 2960 Inca St, Apt 116.

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Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 11:44 AM
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Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

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Cliff Halstead | 303.918.8505 |

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Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 10:41 AM
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
Cc:	Will Justice
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Objection to Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014
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Dear Eulois,

My name is Correne Knollenberg, and I am an owner at 2955 Inca Street unit 2c in the Union Station North neighborhood. I oppose the area of proposed vacation (The ROW area adjacent <u>2099 Chestnut PL</u>) to be vacated at this time.

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Thank you,

Correne Knollenberg

Sustainability Consultant

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From:	Dan Shaner <dan.shaner@gmail.com></dan.shaner@gmail.com>	
Sent:	Saturday, May 18, 2019 5:50 PM	
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics	
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Union Station North Neighborhood Project 2017-VACA-000	
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Manager of Public Works,

I am writing in objection to the proposed vacation of the corner of 29th and Chestnut, project 2017-VACA-000001. I was disappointed and surprised to find the sign as the first method of communication to the neighborhood.

Please confirm receipt of this email and advise me of my rights and recourse to escalate against this plan.

- 1. Please send me information on the current plan for this space.
- 2. Please send me your plans for relocation of what is already in the space, specifically,
- a. The neighborhood sign, purchased and erected with private funds
- b. The thriving trees, which only this year have truly taken root
- c. The bicycle rental facility, which I and others use nearly every day

3. Please send me the traffic plan for cars, pedestrians, dog walkers and bicycles for this area and how they will be safely accomodated.

4. Please share how the neighborhoods will be informed and participate in this transformation.

This area is home to many, many people. Parking is already impossible and traffic will increase to greater levels of danger once the structures in the back side are finished.

The space under the overpass would best serve the neighborhood as a park. We already have three new hotels in the area; rumors suggest you're planning another?

IF we were to destroy the trees and use the space at 29th and Chestnut differently, I'd recommend we consider a small roundabout with design to enhance walkability.

Regards,

Dan Shaner

Dan Shaner dan.shaner@gmail.com 970.443.2481

From:	Dean Buhler < dean.buhler@me.com >
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 10:23 AM
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
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I oppose granting the right of way.

Thank you,

Dean Buhler 2955 Inca Street, Unit 4H Denver, CO 80202 (303) 607-0488

From:	Diane Kinney <dianekinney32@gmail.com></dianekinney32@gmail.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, May 28, 2019 8:29 PM
To:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Project Number 2017VACA-000001
Categories:	In Project Tracker

I would like to object the use of the city space on Chestnut and Inca for the building of the Marriott Courtyard. This is city space and we use the bicycles that are there for our neighborhood. We have thousands of residents in this community and this is our only common community space. Please do not permit the Marriott to spill over into the city space used for our neighborhood.

Thank you Diane Kinney 651-592-4044 2900 Inca St, Unit 13 Denver, CO 80202

From:	Francisco <francisco.arteaga@live.com></francisco.arteaga@live.com>
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 10:33 AM
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics; Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations Coordinator
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Objection to Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014
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June 5, 2019

Eulois Cleckley Public Works - Executive Director Attention: Right-of-Way Services 201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608 Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Francisco Arteaga, and I am a homeowner in the Union Station North neighborhood.

I oppose the area of proposed vacation (The ROW area adjacent 2099 Chestnut PL) to be vacated at this time. - Vacating the ROW will have a negative impact on the enjoyment of residents, including myself, by eliminating the use

and access of public space for congregation and designated greenspace.

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Regards Francisco Arteaga Ajax Lofts Homeowner Union Station North Neighborhood 720-705-1396 June 4, 2019

Brittany Pirtle Operations Coordinator Denver Public Works Right of Way Engineering Services Engineering, Regulatory & Analytics Office 201 W. Colfax Ave, Dept. 507 Denver, CO 80202

Dear Brittany,

I attended the Union Station North Community meeting last night and listened with an open mind to all who presented their proposition and ideas. The interchange was dynamic and enlightening. With that in mind I have to respond by stating that I am not in favor of granting the vacation request. I do not feel that the hotel carport will provide a better use for the community or create a true sense of arrival for the neighborhood, nor will it create a valuable resident supported destination. I do not object to a hotel or any other building being constructed on the vacant lot, however, the city-owned space is regularly used and depended on by pedestrians and bicyclists, and for this reason I do not support the vacation request.

Best Regards,

Hea'ther Long ¹ Union Station North Owner/Resident Watertower Lofts 2960 Inca St. #512 Denver, CO 80202

From:	Jason Jones <jason@remaxurbanproperties.com></jason@remaxurbanproperties.com>
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 1:06 PM
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June 5, 2019

Eulois Cleckley Public Works - Executive Director Attention: Right-of-Way Services 201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608 Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

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With Gratitude,



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June 7, 2019

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Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

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My name is Jillian Ganley, and I am an owner in the Union Station North neighborhood.

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Regards,

Jillian Ganley 2955 Inca ST Denver, CO. 80202 Jlln5455@gmail.com 978-793-0923

Sent from my iPhone

From:	John Everard <johnseverard@gmail.com></johnseverard@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 9:12 AM
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics; Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations
	Coordinator
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Objection to Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is John Everard, and I am an owner at AJAX Lofts as well as the President of the HOA for Ajax Lofts in the Union Station North neighborhood.

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To:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] No on 2099 chestnut
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Dear Eulois,

My name is john orlando, and I'm a resident of the city of Denver and I've lived in Union Station North 8 for years. I am the owner / resident of 2960 inca street.

I *oppose* the area of proposed vacation (The ROW area adjacent 2099 Chestnut PL) to be vacated at this time.

I have no problem with a building there, but why another bottom tier hotel? It hurts the potential branding of a neighborhood that is one of the most conveniently centrally located neighborhoods. Nice restaurant, bar, boutiques, go for it. It's a good look.

I'm a capitalist. I want my property value to go up, pure and simple. Not to mention my general ease of life. Creating a situation where a building is permitted to go up that needs more parking than the building capacity is in an area where the parking is already slim pickings is ridiculously unfair to owners- Un-American in fact. If you need x amount of spots by law, that's that. No special variances. Otherwise I want to park on the side walk. Give me a special permit to do that. L When that happens god bless your lil hotel.

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Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 1:58 PM
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Josh Kelter Homeowner at 2955 Inca St. Unit 3J, Denver, CO 80202

Joshua Kelter (630) 229-3326

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June 5, 2019

Eulois Cleckley Public Works - Executive Director Attention: Right-of-Way Services 201 W Colfax Ave, Dept 608 Denver, CO. 80202

Project number: 2017-VACA-0000014

Dear Eulois,

My name is Mario Santiago, and I am a resident and owner in the Union Station North neighborhood (Ajax Lofts).

I oppose the area of proposed vacation (The ROW area adjacent 2099 Chestnut PL) to be vacated at this time.

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Mario L. Santiago 2955 Inca St 4G (Ajax Lofts) Denver, CO 80202 email: <u>mlsantiago74@gmail.com</u> phone: 303 724 4946

From:	Mary Helen Jacobus <mhjacobus75@gmail.com></mhjacobus75@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 1:09 PM
То:	Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations Coordinator; PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
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Mary Helen Jacobus

From:	gp1084a@gmail.com on behalf of Union Station North Board <unionstationnorth@gmail.com></unionstationnorth@gmail.com>	
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 7:56 AM	
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics; Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations Coordinator	
Cc:	george.pacienza@gmail.com	
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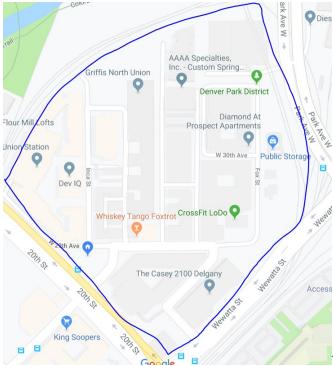
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Regards,

George Pacienza, President Union Station North RNO

2900 Inca St #5

Denver, CO. 80202

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Union Station North Board

From:	Scott Nelson <sdnels@gmail.com></sdnels@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 6:14 AM
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics; Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations Coordinator
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Scott Nelson Denver, CO. 80202 sdnels@gmail.com

303-506-0753

From:	Shawn Weidert <sweidert@hotmail.com></sweidert@hotmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 10:50 AM
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Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 1:51 PM
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics; Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations Coordinator
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Stephen McIlnay 2900 Inca St Unit 25 Denver, CO. 80202 <u>stephenmcilnay@mac.com</u> (757)297-9864

From:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
Sent:	Friday, May 31, 2019 1:23 PM
То:	'Christopher Sterling'
Subject:	RE: [EXTERNAL] Contesting Project 2017-VACA-000001

Good afternoon Topher,

Our department is processing the request to vacate public right-of-way. We do not have any stake in the development or real estate transactions. If you'd like to review the submittal documents for this proposal, please visit the <u>Denver Public Works E-Review Web Page</u> and select the corresponding project (2017-VACA-0000014). To make a formal protest, please submit it by Thursday, June 6th to our email <u>Denver.PWERA@denvergov.org</u>. In your correspondence, please provide as much information as to why this proposal should not approved. Only issues of technical merit will be accepted. Thank you.

Regards,



Katie Ragland | Operations Coordinator Public Works - ROWS | City and County of Denver p: (720) 865-3036 | Katie.Ragland@denvergov.org CONNECT WITH US | 311 | pocketgov.com | denvergov.org | Denver 8 TV | Facebook

From: Christopher Sterling <topher@develops.guru> Sent: Monday, May 27, 2019 12:42 PM To: PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics < Denver. PWERA@denvergov.org> Subject: [EXTERNAL] Contesting Project 2017-VACA-000001

Hey there -

I saw a notice the public works has been asked to vacate an area right across the street from my building. It sounds as though the result of public works vacating will allow a sale to a hotel chain to take place, is that correct? What actions do I need to take to formally protest this application? Let me know what I gotta do :-)

- Topher Sterling

From:	Victoria Poilevey <vpoileveyinsurance@gmail.com></vpoileveyinsurance@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, June 6, 2019 10:54 AM
То:	PW Engineering Regulatory & Analytics
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Cc:	Pirtle, Brittany H PW CA2379 Operations Coordinator
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Dear Eulois,

My name is Vladimir Garmaev and I am a resident / owner in the Union Station North neighborhood.

I oppose the area of proposed vacation (The ROW area adjacent 2099 Chestnut PL) to be vacated at this time.

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