

Gloria Sitton

From: Shaun Smith
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 8:20 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Fwd: DC poultry market

Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Abdulla Okbah <okbahabdulla@yahoo.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 8:18:13 PM EDT
To: shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov
Subject: DC poultry market

I would like this live poultry market to be approved at 3225 colvin st we need fresh slaughter chicken in the area.

Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: manal al-Gamri <manalalgamri@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 11:32 PM
To: Shaun Smith; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Cc: abdulmused@yahoo.com
Subject: Support of live poultry

To whom it may concerns ,

I'm writing in support of Live Poultry 3225 Colvin St in Alexandria, VA. Their service of providing fresh and healthy food is needed in the area and will be a great addition to our city.

Such neighborhood-oriented business will also hire locals and be run responsibly without causing disturbance to the neighborhood.

I know people that travels all the way to the farms and get live chickens , they take them to their homes and slaughter them in their kitchens. This place will be a great opportunity to save people's time and get their chickens slaughter professionally and under supervision of health and other government authorities.

Thank you for serving our city and brining such businesses of exceptional service to operate in the city.

Best Regards,

Manual Algamri
A resident of Alexandria, VA

Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: Shaun Smith
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:39 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Fwd: DC Poultry

Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Nesreen Alqubati <nesreenqubati@gmail.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 7:03:50 PM EDT
To: shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov, Gloria.sitton@alexandriava.gov
Cc: Callclickconnect@alexandriava.gov
Subject: DC Poultry

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I would like to support the opening of DC Poultry Market at 3225 Colvin Street Alexandria VA as it is fulfill our need for poultry in the neighborhood. We really will be thankful to any positive response to their application.

Best regards,
Nesreen Alqubati

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Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

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From: suendes mused <suendesmused@gmail.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 7:10:24 PM EDT
To: "shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov" <shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov>
Cc: "callclickconnect@alexandriava.gov" <callclickconnect@alexandriava.gov>, "gloria.sitton@alexandriava.gov" <gloria.sitton@alexandriava.gov>
Subject: DC Poultry Market

I Suendes Mused the daughter of Abdulsalem Mused owner of DC Poultry at 332 Colvin st. Please approve my fathers application because he is good to his neighbors and he knows what he is doing in his work. My father helps a lot of people in his community.

Thank you so much.

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Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Ali Alawawda <aalawawda@gmail.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 7:17:11 PM EDT
To: shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov
Subject: Re:

to whom it may concern

My name is Ali and I would like for you to approve this project (DC poultry market located at 3225 Colvin St in Alexandria, VA) I only eat fresh organic halal poultry and it's so hard for me to find it here I spend hours every week to travel so far to get some poultry for my kids

On Fri, Mar 15, 2019, 7:16 PM Ali Alawawda <aalawawda@gmail.com> wrote:

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My name is Ali and I would like for you to approve this project (DC poultry market located at 3225 Colvin St in Alexandria, VA) I only eat fresh organic halal poultry and it's so hard for me to find it here I spend hours every week to travel so far to get some poultry for my kids

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From: Shaun Smith
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:38 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Fwd: Let there be a halal shop in Alexandra

Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mohamed Mused <mohmused@yahoo.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 7:22:23 PM EDT
To: shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov
Subject: Let there be a halal shop in Alexandra

To whom it may concern,

I Moe residents of Alexandria city I'm in support of DC poultry market at 3225 Colvin st
please approve this application because it will be good for the community

Sincerely moe

Gloria Sitton

From: Mohamed Mused <mohmused@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:23 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Let their be a shop in Alexandra

To whom it may concern,

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Sincerely moe



West End Business Association

www.AlexandriaWEBA.com

Leading Alexandria's West End as a Preferred Purchasing Destination

March 15, 2018

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Councilmember Canek Aguirre
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Councilmember Amy B. Jackson
Councilmember Redella S. "Del" Pepper
Councilmember Mohamed E. "Mo" Seifeldin

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

I am writing on behalf of the board of the West Bend Business Association (WEBA). Our mission is to provide the city of Alexandria, Virginia's West End businesses with networking, education and growth opportunities, while offering unified advocacy.

WEBA's goals are to:

- Foster and strengthen businesses in the West End of Alexandria
- Provide education for businesses on relevant topics
- Provide opportunities for businesses in the West End of Alexandria to improve and to build partnerships with the community and the city.
- Create an interchange of ideas for the Alexandria business community
- Provide advocacy with the City government and local residents.

It is with this in mind that we are writing to support one of our members, Sandy Modell and her business, Wholistic Hound Academy and other neighborhood businesses that involve the caring for and training of companion pets.

WEBA is opposed to the Special Use Permit (SUP) being sought for the slaughterhouse and retail establishment on Colvin St. near Roth St. We are persuaded that the existence of this business would have a significant negative impact on the existing businesses.

WEBA very much appreciates the need to promote development in the city generally and in an area that once was a run-down industrial pocket. Yet, this area has evolved and is now the site of several progressive, pet-oriented facilities.

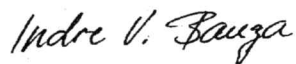
WEBA is particularly concerned with the impact of the smells from the establishment on the dogs that are expected to be within range of it. Our city has gone to the dogs, and there is no turning back!

Many, if not all, of the existing businesses that would be nearby to this new business are all positive reinforcement establishments, and to locate something so shockingly antithetical to the sensibilities of their clients would significantly discourage those clients from frequenting the area.

Indeed, it is unusual for a slaughterhouse to be located anywhere within Alexandria city limits given how built up the city is generally, but it is especially unwise to locate one where it would cause substantial harm to existing businesses.

Importantly, we are very sensitive to the issue of the religious nature of this new business. Further, we respect those who would benefit from the creation of this new establishment. Our concern is entirely on the practical impact of the business on the neighborhood. It is in that light that we hope you will reject the SUP being sought in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Indre V. Bauza".

Indre Bauza
WEBA President

Gloria Sitton

From: suendes mused <suendesmused@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:10 PM
To: Shaun Smith
Cc: Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: DC Poultry Market

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From: Nesreen Alqubati <nesreenqubati@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:04 PM
To: Shaun Smith; Gloria Sitton
Cc: Call Click Connect
Subject: DC Poultry

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I would like to support the opening of DC Poultry Market at 3225 Colvin Street Alexandria VA as it is fulfill our need for poultry in the neighborhood. We really will be thankful to any positive response to their application.

Best regards,

Nesreen Alqubati

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From: Shaun Smith
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:04 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Fwd: DC Poultry Market

Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mohamed Dahir <mo4dahir@gmail.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 6:51:58 PM EDT
To: shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov
Subject: DC Poultry Market

Dear Mr. Smith,

I am sending you this email in regard to DC Poultry Market opening at 3225 Colvin st Alexandria. I am in favor of it opening at 3225 Colvin St, Alexandria.

Sincerely,

Mohamed Dahir

Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: Shaun Smith
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:04 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Fwd: Entity 3225 Colvin street business

Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jaklin eshak <jaklineshak@icloud.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 6:13:11 PM EDT
To: shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov
Subject: Entity 3225 Colvin street business

Hi Mr. Smith

My name is Jaklin and I am sending this email in regards to DC Poultry Market corp located at 3225 Colvin street. I know there has been some issues with the establishment of this live Poultry business. I have many relatives that live in Alexandria and are requesting to have this business open up. Please we ask that the city of Alexandria allows this business to operate

Kind Regards

Jaklin
Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: Shaun Smith
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:04 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Fwd: DC Poultry Market

Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Rayan Akhonbay <rayan.akhonbay@gmail.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 6:48:10 PM EDT
To: "shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov" <shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov>
Subject: DC Poultry Market

Hello Shaun,

I am in favor of DC Poultry Market opening in 3225 Colvin st
Alexandria.

Best,
Ray Akhonbay

Gloria Sitton

From: Shaun Smith
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:04 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Fwd: DC poultry market

Chrishaun "Shaun" Smith
Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning
Land Use Services

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mohammed Khanafseh <mkhanafseh@gmail.com>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 6:49:25 PM EDT
To: shaun.smith@alexandriava.gov
Subject: DC poultry market

I am in favor of DC poultry market opening up in Alexandria. Would love a place to pick up real fresh chicken in the Alexandria area.

Best,

Mo Khanafseh

Gloria Sitton

From: Bruce Ras <raiszadehbruce@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 6:06 PM
To: Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Re: DC POULTRY MARKET AT 3225 COLVIN ST

On Friday, March 15, 2019, 06:02:55 PM EDT, Bruce Ras <raiszadehbruce@yahoo.com> wrote:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I BRUCE RAISZADEH OWNER OF A&B AUTO FINANCE CO LOCATED AT 3120 COLVIN ST, ALEXANDRIA VA 22314 AND NEIGHBOUR OF DC POULTRY MRKET AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF OPENING THIS PLACE I THINK IT WILL HAEFP THE COMMUNITY, PLEASE APPROVED THIS APPLICATION
PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL ME AT 703-869-6651

SINCERELY
BRUCE RAISZADEH
OWNER/PRESIDENT

Good morning. My name is Sandy Modell, owner of Wholistic Hound Academy, 18 Roth St., and a 35 yr. resident of the City. Today is a momentous day in our region. Arlington County considers its approval of Amazon, while Alexandria considers its approval of a chicken slaughterhouse. What is wrong with this picture? For one, the City does not have a land use designation in the Zoning Code for what amounts to an agricultural use and is trying to fit a square peg into a round hole. The City is supporting a use that is currently not allowed in an industrial zone without an updated small area plan to guide this decision. The Taylor Run/Duke Street plan is dated June 1992. Without a vision and a plan of what the future of this area of Alexandria should look like, uses outside of what is currently permitted should not be approved, as it could impact the future of the area forever.

Opposition is not about religion, being anti-Muslim, or Islamophobic as some have suggested. It is about land use and its about protecting Alexandria's existing small businesses who are located in what amounts to a changing neighborhood. This may be an industrial zone, but permitted uses have brought a number of new, family and dog friendly establishments that have changed the nature and character of this area in just the last 2-5 years. Next month we sponsor the 3rd annual Alexandria Love Your Pet Day block party on Colvin and in front of this building. And, just a few minutes ago, a new and exciting restaurant was approved, with open air seating. Was any thought given to how this proposed agricultural use may impact these new thriving businesses that now surround this property. I may be phobic but its, "I can't afford to lose business phobic." For those that say our opinions are suspect, have you tried opening a small business in Alexandria? It's not easy. Between high rents, high taxes, and paying our employees, we are lucky if we can sustain over time. And many do not.

We have people and dogs coming and going from our establishments all day long, we walk and train dogs inside and outside our facilities. They are not kept inside all day as one person referenced. The proposed use would operate out of a 60-year-old fairly dilapidated building that is not airtight. We will smell and hear chickens and it will affect our businesses, our clients and their dogs.

The issues of how many chickens, where they will be housed, delivery hours, waste removal are all inconsistent. Daily vs. weekly, we don't know. I've been told anywhere from 200 to almost 500 a week. Any way you slice it, that's a lot of chickens in this building, regardless of if it is Halal, Kosher, Italian. Mr. Abdul stated yesterday that he has thousands of people throughout the region who will come here for his chickens. Sounds like a regional market to me and more than 30 people a day. Doesn't say. Who's inspecting weekly as cited? Not Virginia Agriculture, they say they only do one initial inspection.

I appreciate Mr. Abdul's call to me yesterday to see if he could do anything to assuage my concerns. That would be difficult in such short notice. I wish he contacted me in December when he filed his SUP. Notices did not go out until Feb 13. None of the animal care, family friendly businesses were notified. No one reviewed our business hours or operations to see if there was a conflict.

The inconsistencies and lack of information and notice is the reason why no one showed up at the Planning Commission meeting to oppose this submittal and is one of the reasons the application should be denied.

The fact that the slaughterhouse may have religious connections is immaterial -- while of course the city may not and should not discriminate against a religion, neither should it favor a religion, which it would be doing by making an exception simply because the

slaughterhouse has religious applications. In fact, to do so may well constitute an establishment of religion, which is equally forbidden by the First Amendment. I would hope the Council would keep in mind its long-range planning goals for this area, maybe dust of the small area plan and update it, and maintain intact the existing permitted uses upon which the currently functioning and trying to survive local businesses have relied.

WEBA

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Robert M. Pringle
216 Wolfe St
Alexandria VA 22314

What on earth gave City Hall the idea of allowing a *doubling* of restaurant capacity on an already crowded area of the Waterfront? Have they ever been there on a Saturday night?? So much for respecting the historic ambience of our (once) fair city!

One thing you have to say for the proposers of this travesty: they do seem to be rooting for pioneer fortitude, hoping that patrons of the new restaurants will be happy to forgo parking and walk to the sushi bar or whatever cool destination they are bent on reaching.

This monstrous bit of non-planning proves, if proof was still needed, that those who fought against rezoning – the key to the uncontrolled density now showing its face – were all too correct in fearing that it would lead to more crowds and ugliness. Meanwhile we may also be about to lose our pristine view of the far shore nearest to us, if Governor Hogan gets his way.


Robert Pringle

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Gloria Sitton

From: Sara <saywa2006@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 9:43 AM
To: Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: DC poultry

Good morning,

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> This email is to support the need for DC poultry market at 3225 Colvin St. in Alexandria Virginia. There is a need for this market in our area and your support will be greatly appreciated.

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> Thank you,

> Sara Abdul

> Alexandria Resident

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Gloria Sitton

From: Hafez AL-Bukari <hafezbukari@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 9:35 AM
To: Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: DC poultry

Dear sir/madam,

We heard about a new poultry market that coming to the area called DC poultry Market

At

3225 Colvin Street Alexandria VA

We really very interested in such business as it is responsive to our need of organic chicken and we always wonder why we dont have such service in DC area as it is an providing such service in many different cities. I hope that you support such good business and response positively to the neighborhood needs.

Best regards,

Hafez Albukari

3709 S. George Mason Dr. #1508E

Falls Church, VA 22041

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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Gloria Sitton

From: Bonnie Bailey <bonhbailey@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 9:14 AM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Citizen Comment re Special Use Permit #2018-0117, Item 5. 19-1858
Attachments: City Presentation.docx

Ms. Sitton,

Please share the attached comments with the City Council in preparation for their Public Meeting Sat. Mar 16, 2019.

I had intended to present this in person, but must go out of town.

I have no financial or special interest in this proposal and am submitting these comments as a concerned citizen of Alexandria.

I thank you and the Council members for your time and consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Bailey
411 E Timber Branch Parkway
Alexandria VA 22302
703-298-1848

An Alexandria Citizen's Comment to the City Council Meeting Sat, Mar 16, 2019
Special Use Permit #2018-0117
Item #5. 19-1858

As an Alexandria resident, I object to the transport and housing of live chickens into the City of Alexandria for the purpose of killing for human consumption as I believe this sets the precedent for doing the same with mammals*, *i.e.* lambs, goats, and pigs. Setting that precedent, IMO, is not compatible with Alexandria as an animal-friendly city and for this Alexandria resident is deeply disturbing.

Even for chickens, I would redirect my business away from those located on that segment of Duke St. Even if the transport was restricted to the morning hours, as noted in the proposal, I would not chance encountering a vehicle that could be transporting them. I've seen open trucks on the highway that reveal birds packed with no space between them and no concern for wings, feet, and pecking. It's something you can't un-see. Any truck I would encounter along that corridor would trigger those images. I don't live in an urban setting to be exposed to that. The thought of seeing or hearing that type of transport and housing with mammals is intolerable.

This issue is more broad than one proposal for a market. It presents the City with an opportunity to make an official statement that stops and prevents all Alexandria markets and restaurants from transporting and housing live animals [avian (birds) and mammalian] into the City for the ultimate purpose of human consumption. The precedent set by such a statement would help confirm the continued path of Alexandria as an animal-friendly city.

Animals raised on a farm as our ancestors did undeniably provide a more healthy food source for humans who choose to eat them. It's also true that supermarkets are filled with nicely wrapped meat such that the life and death of the animal source is conveniently missing. However, these unhealthy and inhumane practices will have to change as more communities begin to set sustainability-based goals for human health and the environment. Not all cities are as progressive as Alexandria, but public awareness regarding the quality of meat and inhumane treatment of food-source animals seems to increase every year. More significant change in this direction can't come too soon.

For now, I support Alexandria staying the course with an animal friendly policy of not allowing the transport and housing of animals [avian (birds) and mammals] into the City for the purpose of killing for human consumption. Additionally, I hope the City makes a broader statement prohibiting this for all markets and restaurants in our City.

* Per Basicbiology.net, mammals are warm-blooded vertebrates, distinguished from other animals by typically having hair or fur, bearing their young alive, and mammary glands for milk production in females to feed their young. Mammals include primates/humans, hoofed animals, carnivores, rodents, whales/dolphins/seals... <https://basicbiology.net/animal/mammals>

Gloria Sitton

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From: Alek Williams via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 3:34 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #170187: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To Mayor Justin Wilson , Vice Mayor...

Dear **Call.Click.Connect.** User

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Request Details:

This is a "private" request. Information should only be provided to the original customer.

- Name: Alek Williams
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 3863660235
- Email: alek.will@aol.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To Mayor Justin Wilson , Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker, Councilman Canek Aguirre, Councilman John Chapman, Councilwoman Amy Jackson, Councilwoman Del Pepper, and Councilman Mo Seifeldein

I wanted to reach out about the proposed halal poultry that is proposed for Colvin Street and that's coming up for a vote Saturday. I've been very surprised by the outrage I've seen from some residents.

I'm sure as you all know very well, this is proposed in an industrial and commercial area. This is literally the perfect place for a business like this and it would bring a new and interesting business to the city. It will also be well regulated and kept under control by the state.

I actually board my dog at Dogtopia on the same street and use the veterinarian that is just a few blocks away. I have no problem with this business being this close to them. To be frank, I find some of the excuses for being opposed to this as weak and slightly suspicious. It isn't near residential, it's industrial, and will be well regulated. I find the ethical argument lacking as well. How many of those people eat meat? But they don't want this in "their" city because its unethical? I just felt the need to lend my support.

I hope that you approve this business and don't let silly anger stop this proposal.

Thank you very much,

Alek Williams

- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, March 20

Please take the necessary actions in responding, handling and/or updating this request at [the Call.Click.Connect. staff interface.](#)

If you need assistance with handling this request, please contact CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov or call 703.746.HELP.

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From: Thomas Hohenthanner via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 10:20 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #170180: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council TO: The Honorable Mayor and Members...

Dear **Call.Click.Connect.** User

A request was just created using **Call.Click.Connect.** The request ID is 170180.

Request Details:

This is a "public" request. Information may be provided to anyone who requests it.

- Name: Thomas Hohenthanner
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-739-2731
- Email: t.hohenthanner@verizon.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: TO: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Alexandria City Council

FROM: Thomas G. Hohenthanner (homeowner)
720 West View Terrace
Alexandria, VA 22301

RE: Alexandria, VA City Council Public Hearing
March 16, 2019
Docket No. 19-1858
Special Use Permit #2018-0117
3225 Colvin Street - DC Poultry Market
Public hearing and consideration of a request for a special use permit to operate a retail shopping establishment and a butchery with live poultry

I write to express my strong objection to the above captioned matter. I have lived in Alexandria for more than 30 years and largely have been proud of our diverse, urban, progressive, community. In those 30 years, this is the first time I have ever personally expressed an opinion to City Council.

The staff report describes the proposed facility as "a butcher shop where the halal method of meat preparation would be applied using live poultry." Having grown up in a rural, heavily agricultural environment, I can readily translate this euphemistic characterization of the business for what it truly would represent – a livestock slaughterhouse and animal waste storage facility. Even in rural America, in a community highly dependent on agriculture, including the production of various meat products, our town had the basic common sense to ensure that the slaughter of livestock was conducted in facilities outside of the city limits.

I have lived near the proposed slaughterhouse for 20 years and am well acquainted with this section of Colvin Street. While clearly still an industrial street in a number of ways, the area in immediate proximity to the proposed live poultry slaughter and animal waste storage site has, up to this point, been enjoying a family friendly retail evolution over the past several years. This is most clearly demonstrated by the wide variety of small businesses dedicated to the training, care, and good health and socialization of dogs. Any hope for the continued renaissance of this neighborhood will be firmly squelched should a slaughterhouse be placed among the existing businesses. Indeed, it is quite likely the existing small businesses, each of which was supported by council in its own right, will suffer.

I find it ironic that the docket item immediately preceding this matter on council's agenda is a permit related to a

new family pizza restaurant designed to have outdoor seating that is located on King Street very near the proposed slaughterhouse. As I said, I have personal experience with the realities of animal slaughter facilities. Livestock, especially livestock confined to small areas, generates often strong and inevitably unpleasant odors. I encourage you to consider the ambience a live animal and organic waste facility will create for families trying to enjoy their pizza in an otherwise carefully designed outdoor facility.

A drive through this up-and-coming neighborhood will quickly and vividly demonstrate its growing vitality. Common sense should then be sufficient for you to conclude that a live poultry storage, slaughterhouse, and animal waste collection facility cannot, and should not, coexist with the family and animal friendly businesses already existing nearby. I urge you in the strongest possible terms to reject the special use permit for this proposed facility at this location.

Sincerely,

Thomas G. Hohenthauer

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 19

Please take the necessary actions in responding, handling and/or updating this request at the **Call.Click.Connect.** staff interface.

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From: Susan Stadslev via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:55 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #170155: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council 19-1858 Special Use Permit...

Dear **Call.Click.Connect.** User

A request was just created using **Call.Click.Connect.** The request ID is 170155.

Request Details:

This is a "public" request. Information may be provided to anyone who requests it.

- Name: Susan Stadslev
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7033099279
- Email: suestads@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: 19-1858 Special Use Permit #2018-0117
3225 Colvin Street - DC Poultry Market
Public hearing and consideration of a request for a special use permit to operate a retail shopping establishment and a butchery with live poultry; zoned: I/ Industrial.
Applicant: DC Poultry Market Corporation

The butchering of chickens in a retail location does not seem to be adequately vetted in the community. Please vote no.

The report and presentation does not address - How will the animals be treated humanely? How long will the chickens be confined prior to killing them. Have the neighboring businesses had time to express their views and be heard on this potential special use permit.

Are there other uses who have requested the space at 3225 Colvin Street?

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 19

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From: Susan Gitlin via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:04 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #170128: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Re: The application for a permit...

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- Name: Susan Gitlin
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-819-8410
- Email: susan.mclaughlin@alumni.stanford.edu
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Re: The application for a permit for poultry business on Colvin Street

Dear Mr. Mayor and members of Council,

The discussion on Saturday regarding the proposal for a poultry business on Colvin Street may be a difficult one, as I see it is causing impassioned discussions in our community. I am sure that you all will be considering the proposal based on issues other than religion, as we always should.

I am just writing to provide a bit of testimonial in support of the concerns of the dog-related businesses in the vicinity of the proposed location.

My husband and I are lucky enough to have a small house and a bit of land in the Shenandoah Valley. My neighbors, about a quarter mile away, have chickens running around their property. Our two suburban dogs, who like most dogs in Alexandria, were not raised on a farm and therefore are unaccustomed to sharing space with prey, find the activity of chasing and killing chickens too much of a thrill to pass up. Over the last couple years, they have killed over a dozen of our neighbor's chickens -- even though we invested heavily in an agricultural-grade fence to keep the dog on our property. Despite having acres of land to run around and enjoy, they now dig UNDER the fence to get to those chickens.

My point is that the existing businesses in the vicinity of the proposed poultry business are dependent upon a clientele who also have dogs that would undoubtedly find the smell of the chickens a huge distraction. Although the poultry business may be able to keep their odors low enough that they do not affect the noses of humans in the area, the dogs will smell the chickens.

If the law allows Alexandria to consider the impact of a new business on established businesses in the area, then I believe this application should be turned down.

Thank you for your consideration.

-- Susan Gitlin
609 Little Street

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 19

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Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:01 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #170127: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I am writing to express my objection...

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- Name: Diann Hohenthanner
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-967-2748
- Email: d.hohenthanner@verizon.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am writing to express my objection to Item 19-1858 Special Use Permit #2018-0117 request to operate a slaughterhouse with live poultry at 3225 Colvin Street in Alexandria, VA which is currently on the City Council Docket for March 16, 2019. This location is completely inappropriate for a slaughterhouse and I am at a loss to comprehend why the Planning Commission would think otherwise. As a resident of the George Washington Park neighborhood in Alexandria, the proposed site address is both in the neighborhood where I live, work, shop, and frequent restaurants with my family and friends. This is an urban area and one in which recent years has experienced a welcome change and upgrade to the type of businesses including several family and pet friendly businesses and more recently a bakery. Colvin Street also hosts the popular 'Alexandria Love Your Pet Day' annual block party, a family and pet friendly event organized by several of the Colvin and Roth Street businesses.
This is an active urban area with many small businesses that have stated that they would be adversely impacted by the presence of a slaughterhouse. Alexandria government officials remind us all to shop our local small businesses and tell us that they support small business concerns. These current business owners, as well as residents such as my family, should have an expectation that the City Council will protect our interests as well as the City's reputation of an animal friendly city on the Potomac. A city with a slaughterhouse is not the reputation Alexandria wants. Please do not approve this Special Use Permit. Thank you for your time.
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 19

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From: Victoria Almquist via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 6:26 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169897: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I am writing in support of Item 5 on...

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- Name: Victoria Almquist
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-819-7434
- Email: valmquist@comcast.net
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am writing in support of Item 5 on the Docket for this Saturday the 16th — File 19-1858, the SUP application for the DC Poultry Market at 3222 Colvin Street.

I have seen numerous inflammatory arguments made online against this Halal poultry butchery, many by people who have not bothered to read the SUP application and have made invalid assumptions, or have knee-jerk reactions to the slaughter of live poultry because it offends them personally. Others think it will somehow affect nearby dog care businesses that keep the dogs indoors. And some opponents exhibit what appears to be thinly veiled Islamophobia that they have cloaked as animal welfare concerns.

I don't believe that Council should deny this permit because of outrage from the animal rights activists in the community. This business, SabaAnd unless the owners of the nearby dog care businesses can articulate concerns based on facts and not conjecture, I don't think those concerns are valid. We have many Muslims in Alexandria and across northern Virginia. I believe that they should have access to a Halal poultry butchery, and it will also serve many others who prefer to eat fresh chicken.

- Expected Response Date: Sunday, March 17

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From: Brooke Jordan via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 5:04 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169769: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I am a dog owner and love all...

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- Name: Brooke Jordan
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 3013794403
- Email: b5255mj@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I am a dog owner and love all animals and I fully support the potential new Halal butcher shop that would like to come to ALEXANDRIA. I'd much rather the chickens be local and humanely killed than shipped in from factory farms and sold on the grocery store shelves as most are now in Alexandria. Thank you!
- Expected Response Date: Saturday, March 16

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From: Barbara Mancini via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 5:02 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169768: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I would not like a slaughterhouse,...

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- Name: Barbara Mancini
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: +17038566693
- Email: rpdwoman@aol.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: I would not like a slaughterhouse, no matter how you spin it into a butchery.
- Expected Response Date: Saturday, March 16

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From: karen johnson via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 3:26 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169748: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council requesting a vote against the...

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- Name: karen johnson
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703 362 7582
- Email: kaj2600@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: requesting a vote against the proposed chicken slaughter house on Colvin Street -- my comments are attached.
- Attachment: [comments re proposed chicken slaughter house.docx](#)
- Expected Response Date: Saturday, March 16

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I am writing you AGAINST the proposed chicken slaughter house/ butchery on Colvin Street in Alexandria.

First, I have to note the incredible irony that the proposed site is on the same block as the annual Alexandria Love Your Pet Day – the educational booths and games literally stretch across the street in front of the building.

Colvin Street, had for years been uninhabited by businesses, now due to the commitment from some smart and dedicated entrepreneurs it's becoming a corridor for thriving dog-based businesses – Wholistic Hound Academy, Frolick Dogs, Dogtopia and Pinnacle Pet Spa. The addition of a chicken slaughterhouse/butchery does not fit with the businesses in the area and may do irreparable harm to them. Why not work to recruit businesses that actually fit with and compliment the existing businesses? I don't understand why that question wasn't asked by the planning commission – Does the requested business compliment or enhance existing businesses in the Colvin Street corridor? Surely there is another location where this facility can operate within the city or within close proximity.

I read the staff report and don't have confidence that due diligence was completed on this request. A friend's attorney did a quick review of the request and the staff report and identified numerous weakness, concerns and questions:

- The facility site is completely inappropriate for the proposed use.
- It lies within several hundred feet of multiple different animal-CARE facilities and businesses, the most proximate of which is directly across the street.
- Those businesses cannot possibly be expected to operate in the shadow of a slaughter facility. If City Council grants this SUP, then Council is effectively shutting those businesses down.
- Even if those businesses continue to operate, the City has failed to consider potential animal disease vectors presented by the close proximity of an animal storage and slaughter-waste facility to household pet care facilities.
- The P&Z staff report reflects absolutely no research, review, or even passive observation of current, proximate, lawful uses of very closely adjacent premises. The documentation reflects no contact with nor notice to those premises or their occupants.

I strongly urge you to VOTE against the slaughter house.

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Gloria Sitton

From: Kate Moran via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 11:09 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169691: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Hello Council Members,Re: SUP...

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- Name: Kate Moran
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-346-1468
- Email: kpmva@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Hello Council Members,

Re: SUP 2018-0117 – 3225 Colvin Street – Animal Slaughterhouse
City Council March 16, 2019 Public Hearing

I am writing to express my concern and opposition to the proposed SUP and business application SUP 2018-0117. I believe that the intended use of this space would be detrimental to both the surrounding businesses and the multiple pet friendly businesses that surround this location, which I currently utilize, including Wholistic Hound Academy, Dogtopia and Frolick Dogs (both of which are directly across and next to the proposed site.) Delivery Hours, Waste and other areas are very concerning.

Here are a couple of my key concerns:

- For the first time, the City is now considering the Industrial zoning classification to include animal slaughter facilities. This determination is unlawful.
 - The Industrial classification permits certain animal care facilities (see Zoning Ordinance Sec. 4-1201 et seq.), but does NOT allow for animal slaughter or related facilities. In fact, Zoning Ordinance Sec. 4-1204 expressly provides that "Any use which is not a permitted, special or accessory use pursuant to this section 4-1200 is prohibited."
- Inconsistent Hours
- The P&Z materials (at p. 4) state that "supplies," which would consist of live captive animals destined for slaughter and butchering, will be delivered during a four-hour per day time period, three times per week.
 - However, the P&Z materials later claim that deliveries would take place daily, and not three times per week (see p. 6).
 - The SUP applicant's binding, written commitments are to receive deliveries of live animals only 90 minutes each day (see p. 17).
 - The P&Z comments then – despite the terms otherwise set forth in the document – propose to allow all deliveries, including of live animals, to take place up to 17 hours, seven days each week (see p. 8, Condition R-2).
- Waste
- The SUP applicant's binding, written commitments include daily waste collection by Darling International, Inc. (see p. 18). That entity has no disclosed location within 100 miles of Alexandria Virginia. See, <https://www.darlingii.com/locations/north-america/>. The SUP application's waste disposal commitment appears to be inconsistent with readily available facts.
 - The SUP applicant has made inconsistent claims regarding waste removal. The applicant claims (p. 18) that all (not some, but "all") waste will be collected daily. The Staff report repeats this claim ("biodegradable waste would be removed daily" see, p. 4).

- However, the SUP applicant claims that waste will be collected "every other day" (see item 9.c., p. 21).
- The foregoing provisions cannot be read consistently. The SUP application and the staff report do not establish clear and consistent waste control and removal requirements.

Not to mention the fact that this waste would be in such close proximity to pets, makes me very concerned about pet health and even greater PUBLIC health. I am concerned that the City is contemplating allowing a slaughterhouse to open in our community. Please Deny this application.

Thank you for your time,
Dr. Kate P. Moran
3803 Edison Street
Alexandria, VA 22305

- Expected Response Date: Saturday, March 16

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From: Kim & Kevin Gilliam via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2019 4:35 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169460: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council at 3225 COLVIN ST Dear Mayor & City Councils,As the...
Attachments: map.png

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- Name: Kim & Kevin Gilliam
- Approximate Address: 3225 COLVIN ST (See [map below](#))
- Phone Number: 703-957-8946
- Email: frolickdogs@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor & City Councils,
As the owners of Frolick Dogs, which has been in business at 3208 Colvin St for nearly 5 years, we have some significant concerns about the proposed Special Use Permit #2018-0117 requested by DC Poultry Market for 3225 Colvin St.

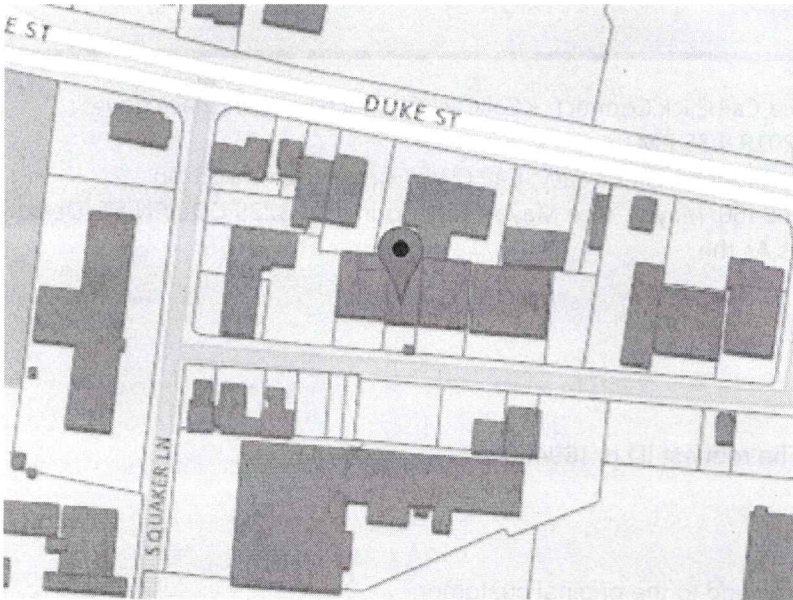
We believe that having a live poultry market diagonally across the street would have a serious negative impact on our business. Our business has more than 50 dogs and their owners coming in and out each day, we take the dogs on walks on Colvin St, and we practice obedience training along the street as well. The noise and smell of a live poultry butcher that close by will drive the dogs crazy, with the feathers resulting from the live bird deliveries each week littering the street serving as an incredible distraction during training and walks. The fact that our animal care facility -- where we pride ourselves on our staff's true love of animals -- would be located across the street from where live animals are being slaughtered will be an incredible put-off for current and prospective clients. PLUS we help organize the annual Alexandria Love Your Pet Day Block Party that runs along Roth & Colvin Streets each year with the help of the Mayor & City Council -- this year benefiting the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria -- how awful to think of our 600+ attendees and their dogs coming out to celebrate their love for animals then walking by a business where chickens are being selected for butchery.

Colvin St is not an appropriate place for a live poultry butcher. We have numerous pet care facilities up and down on our street. It belongs in a more industrial area, which from what I could tell is where they have been located in other cities around the country. We adamantly oppose the approval of this special use permit. We have worked very hard to develop our unique business into a thriving establishment that has been recognized by news outlets worldwide (including The Today Show, NBC Nightly News, Reuters and more), is highlighted in the Washingtonian this month as a Top Pet Care provider of daycare and training, and has become so popular that we maintain a 500+ dog waitlist for our daycare program. The fact that a business like this opening across the street could undermine all that we have worked for is truly frightening.

Please take these concerns under consideration. We truly believe our livelihood and that of the 8 people on our staff are at stake.

Sincerely,
Kim & Kevin Gilliam
Owners
Frolick Dogs

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 12



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From: Melissa Murphy via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2019 2:18 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169442: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and City...

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- Name: Melissa Murphy
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7038380265
- Email: shuri91@hotmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council:

The proposed SUP in Planning Docket 2018-0117 for a slaughterhouse in Alexandria, which is known nationally as an animal-friendly community, is inappropriate, inconsistent with other uses, and as a resident of this city I strongly oppose it (see file attached for details).

Yours sincerely,
Melissa Murphy

- Attachment: comments 2018-0117.docx
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 12

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Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 2:31 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #169344: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Re: SUP 2018-0117 – 3225...

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- Name: Mark Williams
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: Pls Use Email
- Email: markcwilliams@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description:

Re: SUP 2018-0117 – 3225 Colvin Street
City Council March 16, 2019 Public Hearing

City Council is legally required to DENY this application, the planning commission record of which is attached as a PDF.

The proposed activity is completely inconsistent with applicable law and with existing permitted uses. The proposal is not consistent with the City's Industrial classification. The staff report reveals numerous highly material, substantive inconsistencies. Delivery hours, waste, and other key conditions are contradictory and inchoate.

The SUP application and the Planning Commission's consent disregarded numerous material inconsistencies in the application and related materials. They include but are not limited to the following:

CURRENT, PROXIMATE, LAWFUL USES:

- The facility site is completely inappropriate for the proposed use.
- It lies within several hundred feet of multiple different animal-CARE facilities and businesses, the most proximate of which is directly across the street.
- Those businesses cannot possibly be expected to operate in the shadow of a slaughter facility. If City Council grants this SUP, then Council is effectively shutting those businesses down.
- Even if those businesses continue to operate, the City has failed to consider potential animal disease vectors presented by the close proximity of an animal storage and slaughter-waste facility to household pet care facilities.
- The P&Z staff report reflects absolutely no research, review, or even passive observation of current, proximate, lawful uses of very closely adjacent premises. The documentation reflects no contact with nor notice to those premises or their occupants.

INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION:

- For the first time, the City is now considering the Industrial zoning classification to include animal slaughter facilities. This determination is unlawful.
- The proposed SUP would completely redefine "Industrial" for code purposes. No public notice or hearing was conducted as to this substantial redefinition.

- The Industrial classification permits certain animal care facilities (see Zoning Ordinance Sec. 4-1201 et seq.), but does NOT allow for animal slaughter or related facilities. In fact, Zoning Ordinance Sec. 4-1204 expressly provides that “Any use which is not a permitted, special or accessory use pursuant to this section 4-1200 is prohibited.”
- The P&Z consent agenda vote gave no notice of, and was legally insufficient to accomplish, a radical revision to City law of the nature that this SUP application proposes.
- Under Code of Virginia Title 15.2 Ch. 22 Art. 1 and Art. 7, dramatically modifying legal definitions and uses cannot be accomplished by a mere variance. Instead, a conforming special exception would be required.

NOTICE AND LEGAL PROCEDURE:

- Code of Virginia §§ 15.2-2204 and 2309 compel the City, prior to even considering the conferral of the requested SUP, to deliver multiple forms of formal, advance notice, which the staff report does not reflect, and which are inconsistent with the informal “consent agenda” treatment of the SUP application.
- Proximate land owners are required to receive contemporaneous advance notice. The record does not indicate that they did.

HOURS:

- The SUP applicant’s commitments, the staff’s report, and the recommended SUP conditions are not at all mutually consistent.
- The P&Z materials (at p. 4) state that “supplies,” which would consist of live captive animals destined for slaughter and butchering, will be delivered during a four-hour per day time period, three times per week.
- However, the P&Z materials later claim that deliveries would take place daily, and not three times per week (see p. 6).
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WASTE:

- The SUP applicant’s binding, written commitments include daily waste collection by Darling International, Inc. (see p. 18). That entity has no disclosed location within 100 miles of Alexandria Virginia. See, <https://www.darlingii.com/locations/north-america/>. The SUP application’s waste disposal commitment appears to be inconsistent with readily available facts.
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- The foregoing provisions cannot be read consistently. The SUP application and the staff report do not establish clear and consistent waste control and removal requirements.

NOISE:

- The staff report claims that only “typical retail shopping establishment noise [is] to be expected” (see p. 4).
- This finding is completely inconsistent with the description of the industrial slaughter process that the SUP applicant sets forth, which incorporates descriptions of mechanized butchering equipment (see pp. 17-18).

RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE:

- The City is absolutely prohibited from considering the allegedly religious nature of the animal slaughter activities, and from affording any preference for any such religious characteristics.
- However, the entirety of the SUP application is defined by the religious characteristics alleged to form the entire basis of the proposed SUP subject-matter and proposed use. The SUP applicant’s arguments in favor of granting the SUP rest explicitly on religious grounds. See pp. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19.
- The P&Z consent vote and staff findings were expressly predicated on these religious characteristics, and adopted them explicitly. See pp. 3, 5.

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The SUP application requests authorization for activities that are patently barbaric, involving days of protracted confinement in a windowless and apparently not temperature-controlled facility while awaiting fully-conscious slaughter, and have invited enmity and have damaged real property valuation and other lawful property uses in other large, densely-populated cities. The SUP application and staff findings are diametrically inconsistent with existing lawful uses. The proposal upends existing legal requirements and terms that are defined by statute. The

analysis conducted by staff and by the P&Z commission are grossly insufficient, as a black-letter legal matter, and the record before Council is not legally adequate for the SUP to be granted, whether with or without further conditions. City Council is required to DENY the SUP application.

I write purely as a City resident and as a customer of businesses that are proximate to the situs that is the subject of the SUP, and I do so without compensation.

- Expected Response Date: Monday, March 11

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City Council March 16, 2019 Public Hearing

City Council is legally required to DENY this application, the planning commission record of which is attached as a PDF.

The proposed activity is completely inconsistent with applicable law and with existing permitted uses. The proposal is not consistent with the City's Industrial classification. The staff report reveals numerous highly material, substantive inconsistencies. Delivery hours, waste, and other key conditions are contradictory and inchoate.

The SUP application and the Planning Commission's consent disregarded numerous material inconsistencies in the application and related materials. They include but are not limited to the following:

CURRENT, PROXIMATE, LAWFUL USES:

- The facility site is completely inappropriate for the proposed use.
- It lies within several hundred feet of multiple different animal-CARE facilities and businesses, the most proximate of which is directly across the street.
- Those businesses cannot possibly be expected to operate in the shadow of a slaughter facility. If City Council grants this SUP, then Council is effectively shutting those businesses down.
- Even if those businesses continue to operate, the City has failed to consider potential animal disease vectors presented by the close proximity of an animal storage and slaughter-waste facility to household pet care facilities.
- The P&Z staff report reflects absolutely no research, review, or even passive observation of current, proximate, lawful uses of very closely adjacent premises. The documentation reflects no contact with nor notice to those premises or their occupants.

INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION:

- For the first time, the City is now considering the Industrial zoning classification to include animal slaughter facilities. This determination is unlawful.
- The proposed SUP would completely redefine "Industrial" for code purposes. No public notice or hearing was conducted as to this substantial redefinition.
- The Industrial classification permits certain animal care facilities (see Zoning Ordinance Sec. 4-1201 et seq.), but does NOT allow for animal slaughter or related facilities. In fact, Zoning Ordinance Sec. 4-1204 expressly provides that "Any use which is not a permitted, special or accessory use pursuant to this section 4-1200 is prohibited."
- The P&Z consent agenda vote gave no notice of, and was legally insufficient to accomplish, a radical revision to City law of the nature that this SUP application proposes.
- Under Code of Virginia Title 15.2 Ch. 22 Art. 1 and Art. 7, dramatically modifying legal definitions and uses cannot be accomplished by a mere variance. Instead, a conforming special exception would be required.

NOTICE AND LEGAL PROCEDURE:

- Code of Virginia §§ 15.2-2204 and 2309 compel the City, prior to even considering the conferral of the requested SUP, to deliver multiple forms of formal, advance notice, which

the staff report does not reflect, and which are inconsistent with the informal “consent agenda” treatment of the SUP application.

- Proximate land owners are required to receive contemporaneous advance notice. The record does not indicate that they did.

HOURS:

- The SUP applicant’s commitments, the staff’s report, and the recommended SUP conditions are not at all mutually consistent.
- The P&Z materials (at p. 4) state that “supplies,” which would consist of live captive animals destined for slaughter and butchering, will be delivered during a four-hour per day time period, three times per week.
- However, the P&Z materials later claim that deliveries would take place daily, and not three times per week (see p. 6).
- The SUP applicant’s binding, written commitments are to receive deliveries of live animals only 90 minutes each day (see p. 17).
- The P&Z comments then – despite the terms otherwise set forth in the document – propose to allow all deliveries, including of live animals, to take place up to 17 hours, seven days each week (see p. 8, Condition R-2).

WASTE:

- The SUP applicant’s binding, written commitments include daily waste collection by Darling International, Inc. (see p. 18). That entity has no disclosed location within 100 miles of Alexandria Virginia. See, <https://www.darlingii.com/locations/north-america/> . The SUP application’s waste disposal commitment appears to be inconsistent with readily available facts.
- The SUP applicant has made inconsistent claims regarding waste removal. The applicant claims (p. 18) that all (not some, but “all”) waste will be collected daily. The Staff report repeats this claim (“biodegradable waste would be removed daily” see, p. 4).
- However, the SUP applicant claims that waste will be collected “every other day” (see item 9.c., p. 21).
- The foregoing provisions cannot be read consistently. The SUP application and the staff report do not establish clear and consistent waste control and removal requirements.

NOISE:

- The staff report claims that only “typical retail shopping establishment noise [is] to be expected” (see p. 4).
- This finding is completely inconsistent with the description of the industrial slaughter process that the SUP applicant sets forth, which incorporates descriptions of mechanized butchering equipment (see pp. 17-18).

RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE:

- The City is absolutely prohibited from considering the allegedly religious nature of the animal slaughter activities, and from affording any preference for any such religious characteristics.
- However, the entirety of the SUP application is defined by the religious characteristics alleged to form the entire basis of the proposed SUP subject-matter and proposed use. The SUP applicant’s arguments in favor of granting the SUP rest explicitly on religious grounds. See pp. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19.

- The P&Z consent vote and staff findings were expressly predicated on these religious characteristics, and adopted them explicitly. See pp. 3, 5.

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The SUP application requests authorization for activities that are patently barbaric, involving days of protracted confinement in a windowless and apparently not temperature-controlled facility while awaiting fully-conscious slaughter, and have invited enmity and have damaged real property valuation and other lawful property uses in other large, densely-populated cities. The SUP application and staff findings are diametrically inconsistent with existing lawful uses. The proposal upends existing legal requirements and terms that are defined by statute. The analysis conducted by staff and by the P&Z commission are grossly insufficient, as a black-letter legal matter, and the record before Council is not legally adequate for the SUP to be granted, whether with or without further conditions. City Council is required to DENY the SUP application.

I write purely as a City resident and as a customer of businesses that are proximate to the situs that is the subject of the SUP, and I do so without compensation.

Gloria Sitton

From: WAEL AL-SHEHARY <wns009@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 10:56 AM
To: Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Supporting Business

Dear Sir/Madam,

Hope this email finds you well.

My family is one of many families in VA who are eager to be customers of DC Poultry as it is one of the best and trusted quality of poultry and we have seen thier good services in NYC. We are strongly support this buisness and hope that you do so.

Name: Wael Alshehary

Address:

5601 Seminary Rd #805 falls Church VA 22041

Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: Nabil Shaiban <nshaiban@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 1:08 PM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: Support for DC Poultry in VA

Dear Shaun,

Hope this mail finds you well.

I live with my family in VA and are one of so many families in the State who are anxious to have the DC Poultry in our area.

The Poultry will be handy and will indeed be providing quality poultry and good services like they've been doing in New York City.

We are strongly in favor of the incoming of this business in our area.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Best regards.

Nabil SHAIBAN
5505 Seminary Rd
Falls Church VA 22041

Cell no. 202 629 7055

Gloria Sitton

From: Morad Hashim <morad2hashim@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 10:48 AM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: Business needed in Alexandria

Hi Shaun,

As residents my family and I need the services that will be provide by this business:

**DC poultry Market
At
3225 Colvin Street Alexandria VA**

It's important for many others that I know.

**Morad Abed
7802 Ashley Glen Rd
Annandale, VA 22003**

Gloria Sitton

From: Lama Alyamani <lamalyamani@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 9:01 AM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: DC Poultry Market

Dear Shaun,

I am in favor of the DC Poultry Market opening at 3225 Colvin st Alexandria, Va. I feel that there is a demand for this type of market in our community. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Lama Alyamani
(703) 395-9885

Gloria Sitton

From: Tahzib Bacchus <tahzibbacchus@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 12:17 PM
To: Shaun Smith; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: DC Poultry Market (Alexandria, VA)

Dear Shaun & Gloria-

We are in support of the business: **DC Poultry Market at 3225 Colvin St in Alexandria, VA.**

This service to the community brings the humane way of producing meats that will be processed according to Kosher/
Halal

production standards. We are constantly in search of a safe, natural way of processing our meats and this company will deliver just that.

We have been forced to do our own slaughter at our own homes simply because no services like this has been available in our communities. Please approve this business and you will benefit by providing a real

service to the people who really care for animal rights because this is exactly what **DC Poultry Market** will do to protect the rights of animals, process the meat and deliver quality, safe and uncontaminated meats, which

will not have a chance to develop, bacteria and growth of other unhealthy organisms that are usually unsafe for consumption that are more susceptible with the way the meats are processed and preserved for frozen and

supermarkets distribution dubbed the "norm" for today's standards. Well it's not and it's not the proper way of handling something we intend to consume. The way **DC Poultry Market** has outlined standards that are the

true way of handling the products we all, as a whole intend to consume.

Thanks
T. Bacchus

Gloria Sitton

From: ABDULL ALI <zabadan@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 10:04 AM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: DC poultry Market

Dear Shaun,
Greetings from our community to all of you.

I would like to inform you that we are fresh food lovers as everyone does and we would like to express our support to open this kind of fresh poultry in our area.
DC poultry market will serve our community with fresh healthy chicken.
We sincerely appreciate your help today to allow DC Poultry Market at 3225 Colvin st to operate in our community

Appreciate your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Abdullah Alyamani
Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: Sara <saywa2006@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 8:57 AM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: DC poultry

Good morning,

This email is to support the need for DC poultry market at 3225 Colvin St. in Alexandria Virginia. There is a need for this market in our area and your support will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Sara Abdul
Alexandria Resident

Gloria Sitton

From: Omar Alyamani <oalyaman@vt.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:55 PM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: DC Poultry Market

Dear Shaun,

I am in support of DC Poultry Market opening at 3225 Colvin st Alexandria, Va. There is a need in the community for this type of establishment.

Sincerely,
Omar Alyamani
(703) 462-4888

Gloria Sitton

From: Mansoor Saleh <mansoorsaleh77@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 11:20 AM
To: Shaun Smith

I am Mansoor Saleh A resident of Alexandria, VA I am in support of opening DC poultry market at 3225 Colvin St Alexandria, VA 22314 I travel all the way to there others location in Philadelphia to get my Halal fresh poultry

Gloria Sitton

From: WAEL AL-SHEHARY <wns009@yahoo.com>
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To: Shaun Smith
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Name: Wael Alshehary

Address:

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Gloria Sitton

From: Sana Din <dinsana94@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 8:14 AM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: Dc poultry market

Dear Shaun,
I am in favor and support opening of the dc poultry market at 3225 Colvin st, Alexandria, VA

Thank you,
Sana Din

Gloria Sitton

From: Hafez AL-Bukari <hafezbukari@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 7:54 PM
To: Shaun Smith
Subject: DC poultry

Dear Sir,

We heard about a new poultry market that coming to the area called DC poultry Market

At

3225 Colvin Street Alexandria VA

We really very interested in such business as it is responsive to our need of organic chicken and we always wonder why we dont have such service in DC area as it is an providing such service in many different cities. I hope that you support such good business and response positively to the neighborhood needs.

Best regards,

Hafez Albukari

3709 S. George Mason Dr. #1508E

Falls Church, VA 22041

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Gloria Sitton

From: Anh Vu
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 1:24 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Cc: Helyett Alvarez; Patrick Silva; Tony LaColla; Ann Horowitz; Shaun Smith
Subject: FW: Call.Click.Connect. #170143: Planning & Zoning - Inquiries; Compliments; Complaints We are strongly against the...

Hi Gloria,

We've received a **Call.Click.Connect**. This is for docket #5 (File ID 19-1858) on CC March 16 Hearing. Can you add it to the docket / share it with CC? Thank you.

Sincerely,

Anh Vu
Acting Supervisory Program Analyst
City of Alexandria, Virginia
Department of Planning & Zoning (P&Z)
703.746.3839 (direct)
Visit us at: www.alexandriava.gov

From: Helyett Alvarez <helyett.alvarez@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 11:15 AM
To: Anh Vu <Anh.Vu@alexandriava.gov>
Subject: Fw: Call.Click.Connect. #170143: Planning & Zoning - Inquiries; Compliments; Complaints We are strongly against the...

Hi Anh:

Please CC me on the reply to this CCC.

Thank you!

From: CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:54 PM
To: CCC PZ Feedback
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #170143: Planning & Zoning - Inquiries; Compliments; Complaints We are strongly against the...

Dear **Call.Click.Connect**. User

A request was just created using **Call.Click.Connect**. The request ID is 170143.

Request Details:

This is a "public" request. Information may be provided to anyone who requests it.

- Name: **Call.Click.Connect.** Customer
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: No Email
- Service Type: Planning & Zoning - Inquiries; Compliments; Complaints
- Request Description: We are strongly against the application to open a poultry slaughterhouse in Alexandria!!!
Do not allow it!!
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, March 19

Please take the necessary actions in responding, handling and/or updating this request at the **Call.Click.Connect.** staff interface.

If you need assistance with handling this request, please contact CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov or call 703.746.HELP.

This is an automated email notification of a **Call.Click.Connect.** request. Please do not reply to this email.

Gloria Sitton

From: Jackie Moyano via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 1:23 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #170243: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council As a Frolick Dog and Wholistic Hound...

Dear **Call.Click.Connect.** User

A request was just created using **Call.Click.Connect.** The request ID is 170243.

Request Details:

This is a "private" request. Information should only be provided to the original customer.

- Name: Jackie Moyano
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-300-5155
- Email: jackie.frey@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: As a Frolick Dog and Wholistic Hound client, I am opposed to the proposed DC Poultry Market AKA chicken slaughterhouse on 3225 Colvin St.
- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, March 20

Please take the necessary actions in responding, handling and/or updating this request at the [Call.Click.Connect. staff interface](#).

If you need assistance with handling this request, please contact CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov or call 703.746.HELP.

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Gloria Sitton

From: Ibrahim Alnahari <ialnahari@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 1:20 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: DC Poultry Market!

Dear Ms. Sitton,

I am writing this statement in support of the planned DC poultry market to be located at 3225 . DC poultry market would, for sure, meet the demand of Muslim families who required Halal products for their poultry diet.

Best Regards, Colvin St Alexandria, VA

Best Regards,

Ibrahim Alnahari

Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: Nabil Shaiban <nshaiban@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 1:10 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Support for DC Poultry

Dear Gloria,

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Cell no. 202 629 7055

Gloria Sitton

From: Mainman 119 <mainman119@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 12:47 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Support DC poultry market

Good after noon.

My name is main saidi and a resident of Alexandria VA. We have been looking for fresh halal meat product since I came in 2008. This is the first time we will have live fresh halal meat that we can trust. I'm writing this in support of DC poultry market and hope that you consider this. Muslim way of butchering is the most Merciful way for animals. Islam forbids the torture of animals and to have a poultry market that respect the teaching of Islam and other religious will be a blessing. If we ever think that this market will torture animals, we would be the first protesters. But we know god taught us how to feel for others and animals are among those who we feel for. This market will not shock, choke, shoot animals and make them suffer. So please allow this market to open maybe this will reduce the pain of animals being tortured in other places.

Thank you