

From: [Ginger Curtis](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Gateway Church
Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 8:38:21 PM

The letter below is from a gateway church showing their support of the Urban Fire House as an event space.

Very Best,

Ginger Curtis, President
Urbanology Designs
www.urbanologydesigns.com

Begin forwarded message:

From: Stokes Collins <[\[REDACTED\]](#)>
Date: April 10, 2019 at 11:34:11 AM CDT
To: Oscar Trevino <[\[REDACTED\]](#)>, "[\[REDACTED\]](#)"
<[\[REDACTED\]](#)>
Subject: The Urban Firehouse

Dear Mayor Trevino & Mr. Hindman,

Recently we've been made aware that one of our business neighbors is under fire from the NRH Zoning Commission. This email is to offer our support to this business. The Urban Firehouse, owned and operated by Eric & Ginger Curtis (residents of NRH), has become an incredible contributor to the community and has improved the area around our property through their rehab projects. They have inspired other business owners to take on similar projects that will directly impact the property values and overall community experience of NRH. Gateway Church NRH is in full support of their business.

We are thrilled to have The Urban Firehouse as a neighbor. They are operating primarily as an office space, but allow their larger event room to be used for weddings and events. This has already become an incredible asset to our Gateway members since one of our very own families was able to host their wedding in close proximity to our campus. The NRH Zoning Commission is attempting to have them rezone as an event space. Not only is Urban Firehouse NOT an intrusion or inconvenience, we feel it is a crucial bridge to link us to the community. The corner of Davis and Starnes needs continual beatification and we feel that The Urban Firehouse is a major contributor to this. Forcing them to rezone could be a hinderance to the success of their budding business.

We look forward to all the ways we can continue partnering with local businesses and enhancing the relational involvement between the church, local business and residents of NRH. We wanted to bring this to your attention and show our support for this local business and we ask for any help or perspective you can provide. Thank you for your

time!

Sincerely,

Stokes Collins

Campus Pastor, North Richland Hills Campus
817.552.7489

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From: [Lee Niemeyer](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Urban Fire House @ 8300 Starnes Rd NRH
Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 7:43:06 PM

Planning board,

I would like to take a moment to address the board on the above stated venue.

There are few, if any, places in the city that offer such a fine venue for intimate gatherings such as this place affords.

It is very unique in its approach as well as very tastefully done.

It is a fine feather in the cap of North Richland Hills to be able to have such a fine establishment in its city limits and it would be a shame as well as a travesty to allow it to move to another location.

Why play second fiddle to Keller, Southlake and Colleyville?

I think that the city can take great pride in the work that was done to convert this building into such a wonderful venue for entertaining.

Thanks for listening,
Dr Lee E Niemeyer
resident: NRH

From: [Melody Warmerdam](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Support for Urbanology
Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 8:42:50 PM

The new Urban Fire House by Urbanology Designs is a beautiful asset to NRH. Not only did it turn an old, eye sore of a property into a gorgeous, modern space, it also provides our community with an event space. I have personally toured the building and it is stunning. I plan to rent the space for parties and events in the future.

Sincerely,
Melody Warmerdam

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Amanda Spina](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Urban Fire House
Date: Thursday, April 25, 2019 10:00:54 AM

Hello,

I would just like to share my support for making sure the Urban Fire House gets to continue having events etc. in our area and really hope the rezoning gets approved. This building and all that goes with it, has added a tremendous value to our area. Not only is it gorgeous to look at while driving down Starnes, the people that work there are amazing people as well. Just would like to share my family's support for the Urban Fire House.

Thank you,

Amanda & Aaron Spina
NRH residents
7812 Calvert Lane

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Josiah Campbell](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Rezoning Request for Urban Firehouse: 8300 Starnes Road
Date: Friday, April 26, 2019 10:01:48 PM

Howdy NRH P&Z!

Thank you for all you do to keep NRH growing and shining as a model for other sister cities. I've lived in the area for over 30 years, so I remember thinking NRH stood for Numerous Ranches and Horses. It still has country charm nestled in, but has certainly risen to a new echelon of what it means to be a modern suburb. Only thing missing is an airport, but a short ride on the Tex-Rail has us covered now.

As a small business co-owner with my wife in network marketing, one of our big, recurring needs is for event space. Things we look for chiefly are comfort, ambiance, technology readiness and size of space. We've hosted several smaller events within NRH at Kindred Coffee Co., the NRH Centre and Roots Coffeehouse. However, we've hosted bigger events in neighboring towns due to space and privacy demands.

But no more, watching the vacant fire station on Starnes & Davis convert into the Urban Firehouse office and event space is particularly exciting for us. Not only has it been renovated by a world-class, award-winning design firm, it's a unique event space that begs to be posted on social media. A lot of our 16,000+ member team success has come from the power of social media. So to bring our local team leaders together in a space where we can truly treat them like VIPs is going to be quite a lot of fun.

Please consider not just the local attention the Urban Firehouse brings, but also the far reaching social media buzz it will create for the city. Raising the occupancy level to accommodate modern chic weddings to world-class VIP events will propel NRH to a top 10, first page of search results, for those kinds of events!

Humbly and gratefully,

Josiah L. Campbell

7532 Bursey Road South

North Richland Hills, TX 76182

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From: [Dustin Dorris](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Urban Firehouse Venue Space
Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 7:42:14 AM

I am so excited about the urban firehouse. I have had the privilege to attend a small event here and it was incredible. I also attend church across the street and it is so nice to have a beautiful event space there as opposed to the previously abandoned building. This beautiful venue has the opportunity to bring so much to the community. My family and I are hoping to have an event there soon if possible. I am so thankful for Ginger Curtis and her positive impact on me and the community. Please support events at this incredibly unique and beautiful location. Thank you!

From: [Crystal latu](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Zoning Urban Fire House.
Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 10:04:52 PM

To whom it may concern:

It has been brought to my attention that the Urban Fire House is up for a hearing about a rezoning process for events. I believe that this venue adds a lot of value to our community. It gives us a great local venue for all types of events. The Urban Fire House is very trendy, versatile, and beautiful, and the ownership is so passionate about adding value to the lives of others and well as the community.

I hope you will take this under consideration as you all make this decision.

Thank you,
Crystal Latu

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Michelle Shoemake](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Urban Firehouse Rezoning
Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 10:32:40 PM

Good Evening - I would like to share that we are residents of NRH and live on the opposite side of Davis. We are completely supportive of the Urban Firehouse rezoning to hold events at their new space. The remodel of the firehouse has beautified our neighborhood and provides a great space in our community for special events. I am excited to have this venue available in our backyard. Thank you for your consideration.

Michelle & Michael Shoemake
8420 Timberline Ct NRH

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

From: [Benjamin Butterbaugh](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Rezoning for Urban Firehouse
Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 10:57:48 PM

I wanted to express my support to rezone the new Urban Firehouse on Starnes Rd in NRH into an event space. As a resident of NRH and a teacher in Birdville ISD, I feel like this is just what we need in our area to encourage community, growth, and a fresh face. I would appreciate the City's support in this change also.

Sincerely,

-Benjamin Butterbaugh

From: [Andy Oge](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Zoning for Urban Fire House
Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 10:59:53 PM

Dear Planning Dept,

We understand there is a zoning request for the Urban Fire House and would like to express our support. We believe the venue brings great value to the City of North Richland Hills and to our neighborhood. Our home is located around the corner and we're grateful to have this formerly abandoned property refurbished and used to bring business and events to our community. Please approve the zoning request.

Andy and Lorraine Oge
7412 Park Place Drive

From: [Rebecca Gould](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: fire house
Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 7:13:38 AM

To whom it may concern, please allow Ginger Curtis to use the fire house for events without having to re-zone. Thanks for your consideration.

From: [David Dobson](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Urban Fire House zoning
Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 7:15:40 AM

My name is David Dobson, I have lived in NRH and I own technology services business that has been operating in NRH for 27 years. I attended an event at the urban fire house, it was a wonderful event in a beautiful building. I believe there is a city vote to keep it open to events and I wanted to encourage you vote to allow it to continue hosting events. It believe it is a great addition to our city because it looks beautiful, it will bring more people to our community and raises the image of the area.

Please call me at 817-691-6587 if you have any questions.

David Dobson

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Melissa Butterbaugh](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Zoning for Urban Firehouse
Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 7:24:52 AM

Hello,

I am writing to show my support for the rezoning of the Urban Firehouse. I believe this venue space will be a great benefit to the city of NRH.

Thank you,
Melissa Butterbaugh

From: [Cindy](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Urban Fire House zoning
Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 12:41:28 PM

To whom it may concern,

I would like to endorse zoning of the Urban Fire House on 8300 Starnes in order for this property to become a fully functional event venue. This stunning event space only adds beauty, character and value to our city. Because Ginger Curtis has made this property extraordinary, residents have access to a unique and high class space to share their most important moments with family and friends. Something we can be truly proud to invite people to. Let's keep our memories right here in the city, please. Thank you for considering it.

Proud NRH resident,

Cindy Campbell

From: [Karen Granade](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Urban Fire House
Date: Wednesday, May 8, 2019 2:20:10 PM

This is to support the Urban Fire House project on Starnes Road in NRH. As a 40 year resident of NRH, and as an employee of a local chamber of commerce, growth and economic development are of extreme interest.

I am personally and professionally involved in securing and referring social venues in the area, and find that small, affordable, *and beautiful* venues are in very short supply in NRH.

I have been watching the fire house project from conception, and am eager to refer the venue to friends and colleagues.

Event venues are popping up all over the outlying Tarrant & Denton County areas because WEDDINGS have become a big dollar industry. NRH is missing the boat on this industry, with Hurst and Colleyville and Fort Worth building conference centers and large event venues. Finding space for 200+ attendees is difficult, but possible. Space for 100-200 is easier – that seems to be the sweet spot for developers and investors.

The small event venue (20-100 attendees) is grossly under represented all over northeast and northwest Tarrant County. Whether a wedding or a corporate training event or holiday gathering ... trying to find a modern, clean, appealing venue is very difficult.

Please, reconsider the recent decision to revoke the Urban Fire House as an event space. NRH needs this small but sparkling diamond to bring elegant entertaining options into our area.

Thank you for your consideration.
 Karen Granade
 North Richland Hills resident since 1979

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Planning](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Urban Fire House Zoning
Date: Friday, May 10, 2019 12:19:09 PM

Dear Council and P&Z members,

I respectfully request you reconsider the decision to deny zoning for event space in the Urban Fire House, now owned by Eric and Ginger Curtis. I've known the Curtis's for several years and know they are good businesspeople and conscientious citizens. And Ginger is an award winning interior designer. The desire to provide space for small gatherings is laudable and the idea of meeting in an old fire house seems novel. Their plan for valet/shuttle service to accommodate crowds larger than the capacity of on-property parking seems to me to be a sound and workable approach. Their situation is like that of the Brookside Conference Center in Hurst, where attendees must park and walk across Brookside Drive, with only a few handicapped spaces available next to the center. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

James Braswell

From: [REDACTED]
 To: [Planning](#)
 Cc: [REDACTED]
 Subject: Urban Firehouse
 Date: Monday, May 13, 2019 3:02:58 PM

Good Afternoon,

This letter is in support of the efforts Ginger has put in place and put North Richland Hills on the map. As a longtime resident of NRH, I am aware of the lack of venues and upscale business in the city. Prior to The Urban Firehouse, Gateway Church's satellite campus was the ONLY notable company in town. The thoughtful and fabulous esthetics of this building are a milestone on its own and will introduce our city to the rest of the country. Additionally, the opportunities the event space will bring for new businesses and continued upscale growth are ripe. Voting to approve this measure will do wonders for the city's residents, taxable income and a more desirable reputation.

I stand with Ginger and hope you all will as well.

Sincerely,

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