February 14, 2015

Members of Denver City Council
City and County of Denver

Re: Resolution on Zoning Change Process

Dear Members of City Council,

Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation is an association of more than 100 Registered Neighborhood Organizations (RNOs) from neighborhoods throughout Denver. Founded in 1975, INC’s mission is to advocate for Denver citizens by bringing together, informing and empowering Denver neighborhood organizations to actively engage in addressing city issues.

Upon recommendation of the INC Zoning and Planning Committee, the INC delegates approved the following Resolution at the February 14, 2015 INC monthly meeting. The vote was 37 in favor, 1 opposed and 5 abstaining.

Resolution

Be it Resolved that Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation has concerns about the process through which zoning changes are to take place and wishes to communicate to Denver City Council that:

(1) A General Development Plan does not constitute grounds upon which zoning changes should be granted, does not undergo an approval process which has the integrity and scrutiny of a zoning change process, does not receive Council approval, and does not have the effect of law as to its conformance to small area plans; and

(2) Zoning changes which would violate the clear intent and language of small area plans set a dangerous precedent for zoning changes city-wide, which must conform by law to officially adopted small area plans.

Thank you for your consideration of this important Resolution as you exercise your quasi-judicial role in zoning matters.

Respectfully yours,

Larry Ambrose, President, INC

Cindy Johnstone, Vice President, INC