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Village of Oak Park Plan Commission
123 Madison Street
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Dear Plan Commission Members,

The Downtown Oak Park (DTOP) Board of Directors is in support of MOJO, the proposed use by Ron and Kristen Halverson of their property located at 193 N. Marion. Downtown Oak Park uniformly supports this business concept.

DTOP supports this business for multiple reasons. The owners have a major vested interest in establishing and operating a business that fits seamlessly into their existing neighborhood. They have owned and operated their current business, at 193 N. Marion and have been a member of Downtown Oak Park for many years. Their desire to add a viable business to this corridor demonstrates their dedication and confidence in this district guaranteeing their involvement and adherence to standards of good business practice in DTOP.

MOJO represents a flourishing market of retail. The owners have done their research and have determined that Oak Park and its neighboring communities possess the demographics necessary to support their business. Furthermore, MOJO will enhance the retail mix on this portion of N. Marion and will make this less-patronized area more vibrant and desirable for existing businesses and for future tenancy.

Downtown Oak Park continues to attract high-quality retail and restaurant establishments. It's imperative that such growth and prosperity continue, in keeping with the Comprehensive Plan, to ensure the viability of the district.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to approve the amendments in the zoning ordinance required for MOJO to open in this location.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration with regards to this matter. Please don't hesitate to contact me, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Shanon Williams
Executive Director
Downtown Oak Park