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To: Planning Commission
From: Loren Gordon, AICP, City Planner
Date: June 3, 2021
Subject: Change Memo for the June 3 Planning Commission Agenda

ITEM 8B – Doran Apartments

The attached neighborhood comments were not included in the packet.

May 12, 2021

Loren Gordon
City Planner
City of Minnetonka
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RE: Doran Companies Proposal for the 5959 Shady Oak Road Development

Dear Mr. Gordon,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Doran Companies apartment project at the corner of Shady Oak Road and Red Circle Drive in Minnetonka, the site of the International Spanish Language Academy.

As Minnesota's largest and most experienced provider of autism and early childhood mental health services, Fraser serves infants through adults with healthcare, housing, education and employment. Our programs are nationally recognized for being high quality, innovative and individualized to each family.

Over the past year, we have established a working relationship and partnership with Doran Companies at their project Birke, also located in Minnetonka. A group of young individuals living on their own largely for the first time, and with familial support, have chosen to make Birke their home. Fraser has also rented a unit there, staffed by our coordinator team, to enable twenty-four hour support. We would welcome the opportunity to continue our partnership at this new proposed project in Minnetonka. We feel this truly adds value to the community as a whole, as well as the residents and family members that become part of the community as a result.

I ask that the City of Minnetonka Planning Commission and City Council approve the Doran Companies proposed development while considering the positive impact it will have on the community and residents in Minnetonka. Should you have any questions about my support of this project please don't hesitate to reach out. I can be reached at 952-737-6216 or justin.pierson@fraser.org.

Sincerely,



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