

August 21, 2020

Exhibit Z-31 Con

To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for the opportunity to express my concern regarding the application by Igadi, as I am regretfully unable to attend in person. I respectfully ask that you deny the application by Igadi. The proposed marijuana shop would be located between both of my family-oriented businesses. I own both Debbie's Drive In and I intend to open the former Chuckwagon as a steakhouse and a retail specialty butcher shop.

My business concepts are geared toward families and I employ numerous teenagers. A pot shop at the proposed location is inconsistent with my business and surrounding neighborhood. A pot shop changes the character of a town- especially one so family friendly. Having a pot shop so close to my businesses not only negatively impacts our image, but parents may reconsider allowing their teenagers to work at our establishments which would be devastating to us as these wonderful people make up the majority of our workforce. So much so, that should the board approve this proposed application for a pot shop, I may reconsider opening the Chuckwagon.

I have been a good neighbor and philanthropic community member, have created jobs and significant sales tax revenue. I ask that you take my request into consideration. A pot shop is mutually inconsistent with my businesses. It decreases the value of the properties surrounding it. A pot shop decreases the value of the town in general making it "Anywhere USA" rather than the quaint, family oriented and safe town it has been for so many years. Granby's charm and allure would be tarnished by the presence of a shop on Main Street selling drugs. Grand County has several pot shops already, in municipalities that do not have schools. We do not need another in our town and in such close proximity to our schools and our children.

After speaking to a few of the town council members in Breckenridge, I learned that shortly after a pot shop was approved in their community, they experienced the realization that it did not bring in the tax revenue they had anticipated – but it did bring more crime, more addiction, more need for rehab facilities and counseling, and burdened their town with a myriad of unexpected problems.

I love our community and want to see it thrive, I support and contribute to many local non-profit organizations and support our schools, and my son currently attends the high school. When COVID left many unemployed, my family and I provided and delivered more than one thousand free meals to community members and unemployed workers. The same cannot be said of Mr. Micheals, who has only made empty promises, and who has done nothing to help the Granby community.

I bring numerous successful businesses to the county – Squeaky B's, Lulu City, Cork, Debbie's Drive In and Fitch Ranch. I employ more than 65 workers and generate strong sales tax revenue for this community; thus, I respectfully ask that you support my plea as a resident, business owner, mother and neighbor who would be negatively impacted by the proposed pot shop to deny the Igadi application.

Sincerely,


Deborah Fitch