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Marty Roupe Development Review Administrator Town of Carrboro 301 W. Main St. Carrboro, NC 27510

Dear Marty:

This letter serves as a request for a two-year extension of the conditional-use permit for East Main Square (formerly known as 300 East Main) at 300, 306, 310, 370 and 380 E. Main St.

East Main Square LLC is proceeding with due diligence and in good faith toward using the property in accordance with the CUP. But we are waiting for two things to happen before we can proceed with the next phase of East Main Square: 1. Two of the larger users on site, the ArtsCenter and the Cat's Cradle, are working on their own plans to make larger investments in their futures in Carrboro. We are giving both entities some time to pursue those opportunities before planning new construction in their locations. 2. East Main Square and its tenants have been impacted significantly by the Covid-19 pandemic and our current priority is working to keep everyone in business until the retail, restaurant, hotel and entertainment sectors reach whatever the new normal will be.

In summary, we are working on plans for the next phases of East Main Square, but won't be in a position to pursue them until the pandemic is over and we know how and when the ArtsCenter and Cat's Cradle plans will take shape. We request a two-year extension to allow time for these issues to resolve.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Laura Van Sant LLC member