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City Planning Commission  
City of Detroit  
208 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Detroit, MI 48226

To the Members of the City Planning Commission:

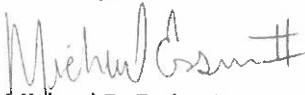
I am writing in support of the project proposed by Ballpoint Bagley LLC for the building located at 1451 Bagley on the southeast corner of Trumbull and Bagley.

Our neighborhood needs this type of development for all of the following reasons:

- This project is of an appropriate size and scale for our neighborhood.
- This project will create unique & innovative types of office space that don't currently exist in the neighborhood today.
- The new retail & office businesses will bring in products and services that are currently missing from the neighborhood.
- The project will be preserving the historic structure at the corner of Bagley & Trumbull.
- The new addition will contain historic features that mesh with the existing architectural context, but will also complement the past with elements of modern design.
- The project will fill in an empty lot, making our neighborhood safer & more vibrant.

As this public body is aware, American Community Developers, Inc. is working with the City to redevelop the Clement Kern Gardens (CKG) development to ensure access to housing for households across a wide range of affordability. During community meetings, residents at CKG have told us they want to see more commercial and retail activity in the neighborhood. Projects like 1451 Bagley strengthen the fabric of our community, bringing new uses and vibrancy to our streets. For these reasons, I am strongly in favor of this project and I urge you to support this project as well. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Michael D. Essian II  
Resident and Vice President of American Community Developers, Inc.