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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Vince Papsidero, AICP
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RE: East Franklinton Review Board

Vince:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my name to be considered to serve as a member of the newly created East Franklinton Review Board. I believe my commercial development experience and my long time position on the University Area Review Board will be an asset to the newly created board. I have included my résumé for your use.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Petruziello, AIA
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M.Arch., The Ohio State University: Columbus, Ohio

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Frank Petruziello is a registered architect, and president of Skilken Solutions; an entrepreneurial development solutions firm specializing in retail, urban and health care projects. He also serves as a managing partner for Mahogany Ventures and M Retail Ventures, partnerships between Skilken and Troy Enterprises formed to develop properties and provide consulting expertise for mixed-use projects in under served urban markets.

Frank leads the Skilken Solutions development consulting team. Working with both national and local clients, and having completed projects valued in the hundreds of millions of dollars, Frank brings an in-depth understanding of the development process, as well as client and community needs, to commercial and mixed-use projects. His creativity and vision, combined with expertise in zoning, government relations, public incentives negotiations, and public/private partnerships, enables him to play a pivotal role in the creation of strategic plans for future growth.

Over the last several years, Frank has worked extensively within the Chicago Bronzeville Community as a community resource person in several planning projects. His leadership in planning and developing the The Shops & Lofts at 47 project has served to bring retail uses back to the Cottage Grove corridor of Bronzeville. In addition Frank works closely with The Community Builders, one of the largest non-profit mixed-income housing developers in the country, helping them integrate commercial uses into their projects in Boston, Pittsburgh, and Chicago. These urban mixed-use projects help form the backbone of neighborhood redevelopment in their respective communities. Owing to this experience the MacArthur Foundation and LISC (Local Initiative Support Corporation) rely on his expertise in helping to craft their urban corridors initiatives.

Frank began his career specializing in commercial neighborhood revitalization and residential development planning with Henshaw Associates in Cleveland. He has worked for the City of Columbus, Division of Planning, and is a former professor at The Ohio State University, Department of Architecture. As a Project Architect, Frank gathered expertise in redevelopment, adaptive reuse projects, downtown revitalization, and mall conversion projects. His designs are featured in numerous publications and he is a professional member of the American Institute of Architects, the National Council of Architectural Review Boards, and the International Council of Shopping Centers. Frank is a member of the University Area Review Board, which provides design review for all projects in the Ohio State University area of Columbus, Ohio.