

Office of the Mayor
A.J. Holloway

MEMORANDUM

DATE: Jan. 29, 2007

TO: Councilmember George Lawrence, Ward 1

Councilmember Bill Stallworth, Ward 2

Councilmember Charles T. Harrison Jr., Ward 3

Councilmember Mike Fitzpatrick, Ward 4

Councilmember Tom Wall, Ward 5 Councilmember Ed Gemmill, Ward 6 Councilmember David Fayard, Ward 7

FROM: Mayor A.J. Holloway

RE: Veto of Resolutions 64-07, 65-07 and 66-07,

concerning The Tower and Townhomes at Edgewater

I hereby veto Resolutions No. 64-07, 65-07 and 66-07, which would have authorized the construction of a 29-story condominium tower as part of a project known as The Tower and Townhomes at Edgewater.

We have benefited from a considerable amount of public discussion from citizens and developers alike regarding this proposal. In fact, the comments made at recent City Council meetings – by councilmembers and the public -- and the 4-3 vote illustrate the polarizing impact this issue has had on many in our community.

I am an advocate of well-managed growth and the property rights of individuals. I also appreciate the process that we have, which allows for public input and thoughtful consideration of issues.

I think the public is telling us that this project seeks too much of a variance over the existing 175-foot ceiling in the B-3 Hospitality Business zone.

I am sending a duplicate original of this veto message to Lucy Brashier, Clerk of the City Council, for inclusion in the minutes.

Attachments: Resolutions 64-07, 65-07 and 66-07

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