



October 4, 2016

Mr. Thomas Southall
Chair,
Hampton Planning Commission
22 Lincoln Street
Hampton, VA 23669

Dear Mr. Southall:

This letter relates to use permit application no. 16-00008, which would permit the operation of a public pier at 35 and 47 Water Street in Phoebus.

As you may know, this project – what we call a dingy dock – has been a deferred dream for Phoebus since 2011, when a now-expired use permit was approved. Unfortunately for the community, Hampton was dealing with the throes of the Great Recession and, simply put, funding was not available to support this project.

Thankfully, we have regained our footing, and City Council has recently approved funding to see this project to completion and create a much-needed access point from the Mill Creek Anchorage into Phoebus.

Beyond the obvious recreational benefits this project will provide to Hampton's residents, a public pier on Mill Creek will afford visiting boaters the closest point of access to grocery stores and other services in Hampton. Importantly, it will also create another link to our business corridor and play a major part in the economic revitalization of Phoebus.

At the same time, the Partnership takes this opportunity to express our appreciation to representatives from the City of Hampton for their cooperation and support of this project. In particular, Mr. Pete Peterson, Mr. John Yorks, Mr. Terry O'Neill, Mr. Keith Cannady and Mr. Michael Hayes have our thanks.

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Accordingly, the Partnership respectfully requests the Hampton Planning Commission's approval of this application, and asks that you share this letter with your colleagues at the appropriate point in your consideration of it.

With best wishes, I am

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Faith O. Jones', is written over a light yellow rectangular background.

Faith O. Jones,
President,
Partnership for a New Phoebus, Inc.

cc: Mr. Pete Peterson
Mr. Terry O'Neill
Mr. John Yorks
Mr. Keith Cannady
Mr. Michael Hayes
Mr. Charles Stevens