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TO: Aurora Avenue Residents – 700's and 800's Block  
FROM: Chad T. Walker  
RE: EDC Follow Up

Dear Neighbors:

This letter is offered as an update on the addition of an Entertainment Destination Center (EDC) designation, as regulated by the Lexington Fayette-Urban County Government's Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) office. On May 24<sup>th</sup>, the Warehouse Block Advisory Board, comprised of Kenwick, Bell Court and Mentelle Neighborhood representatives, met to discuss upcoming projects inside the Block. Among those discussed was the EDC Designation.

An EDC is a designated "tourist" destination that must meet certain regulating criteria. Ultimately, the overlay allows for beverages containing alcohol to be carried outside of the selling business and inside the designated EDC Zone, which includes the 200's block of Walton, the 700-800 block of National Avenue, and the 300's block of North Ashland Avenue. For instance, this would allow a beverage sold from Epping's on Eastside to be carried away from the restaurant to the stage during Block Parties so long as the beverage is held inside a special designated cup, which will be designed to be easily identifiable by Law Enforcement. And NO beverage can leave the designated zone, which will be delineated by signage and street markings. The alteration will allow for greater flexibility for those who would like to enjoy an adult beverage during events, but also allow for other possibilities like sip-and-stroll events. The Summit also holds a current EDC license as a reference point.

After receiving support from the Warehouse Block Advisory Board, along with initial approval from the ABC and the support of VisitLex, in my continued efforts toward transparency, I would like to host a meeting to answer any questions or concerns related to this addition to the neighborhood. If you would like to learn more, plan on being at **Myriad Meadery, 732 National Avenue, at 5:30 on June 21<sup>st</sup>**. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call me anytime.

Sincerely,



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