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Working Together to ENERGIZE Historic West Colfax

August 22, 2018

To City Staff and the Lakewood Planning Commission:

Please accept this letter on behalf of the 40 West Arts District in support of Prestige Imports' request for an extension of its Long-Term Temporary Use Permit.

40 West Arts District's nonprofit mission is to enrich and educate the community and enhance the creative, cultural and economic vitality of the historic West Colfax corridor by creating community arts spaces and community arts events and by supporting creative enterprises and activities in the district.

Prestige Imports is a valued member of the West Colfax business community and has been since 1984. The team at Prestige Imports has been an active and engaged partner with the City of Lakewood and our local West Colfax organizations. We fully support this request and offer the following in support of the extension:

Prestige Imports has actively maintained the property where its Porsche and Audi vehicles are stored including removing illegally dumped trash and eradicating overgrown vegetation. In addition, Prestige is seeking permission from the property owner to beautify the building at 8600 W. Colfax with a public art project. If approved, Prestige will work with 40 West Arts District to bring this art project to fruition. Moreover, Prestige Imports is still amid its planning for a major investment at its current West Colfax dealership. The proposed multi-million investment will help continue the positive momentum along Lakewood's historic West Colfax Avenue. The ability to continue storing its vehicles on this property is essential for Prestige to maintain its current operations as well as undertake new construction.

As Prestige is currently storing cars on the property, granting the extension will maintain the status quo of the current, active land use that is both integral to its ongoing business and a benefit to the corridor. We support the approval of the extension of this Long-Term Temporary Use Permit. Prestige Imports is a well-established community partner with a longtime and ongoing positive impact on our commercial corridor. We want to help support that legacy and Prestige Import's vision for the future. We encourage you to approve the extension.

Sincerely,

William P. Marino

Board Chair – 40 West Arts District



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August 20, 2018

To City Staff and the Lakewood Planning Commission:

Please accept this letter on behalf of the Lakewood-West Colfax Business Improvement District in support of Prestige Imports' request for an extension of its Long-Term Temporary Use Permit.

The Lakewood-West Colfax Business Improvement District (BID) was formed by petition and special election by commercial property owners and local business tenants in November of 2011. Its mission is to work collaboratively with its community partners to energize Lakewood's historic West Colfax corridor by advocating for economic development and capital investment and by supporting programs and organizations that elevate awareness and appreciation of local West Colfax.

Prestige Imports is a valued member of the West Colfax business community and has been since 1984. The team at Prestige Imports has been an active and engaged partner with the City of Lakewood and our local West Colfax organizations. We fully support this request and offer the following in support of the extension:

Prestige Imports has helped clean up the property where its luxury vehicles are stored, removing illegally dumped items, cutting down overgrown vegetation, and maintaining the site during its use. In addition, Prestige is seeking permission from the property owner to beautify the building at 8600 W. Colfax with a public art project. If approved, Prestige will work with the community, 40 West Arts District, WCCA, and the BID to bring this art project to fruition. Moreover, Prestige Imports is still amid its planning for a major investment in its current West Colfax dealership. The proposed multi-million investment will help continue the positive momentum along Lakewood's historic West Colfax Avenue. Continuing to store its luxury vehicles on this property is essential for Prestige to maintain its current operations as well as undertake new construction.

As Prestige is currently storing luxury cars on the property, granting the extension will maintain the status quo of the current, active land use that is both integral to its ongoing business and a benefit to the corridor.

We support the approval of the extension of this Long-Term Temporary Use Permit. Prestige Imports is a longtime community partner, has a strong, positive impact on our commercial corridor, and we want to help them continue that strong legacy.

Sincerely,

Kevin Kazuhiro Yoshida

Board President

William P. Marino Executive Director



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August 28, 2018

To City Staff and the Lakewood Planning Commission:

Please accept this letter from the West Colfax Community Association (WCCA) in support of Prestige Import's request for an extension of its Long-Term Temporary Use Permit.

WCCA is a coalition of citizens, business owners, community leaders, and local organizations working together to foster and sustain an engaged community and economic vitality of the West Colfax corridor. WCCA exists to serve the West Colfax Community—its businesses, residents, and partner organizations—by providing reliable information, a forum for community dialogue, and a unified voice for local advocacy for the quality of life and economic vibrancy of our historic commercial corridor.

Since 1984, Prestige Imports has proved itself as an important member of the West Colfax business community. Prestige Imports is an active partner with the City of Lakewood and our local West Colfax organizations. We fully support this request and offer the following in support of the requested extension:

The team at Prestige Imports has worked to achieve a higher standard of cleanliness for the property where its vehicles are stored, which includes removing trash and vegetation. Prestige also is seeking permission from the property owner to beautify the building at 8600 W. Colfax with a public art project. If approved, Prestige will work with the community, 40 West Arts District, and the BID to bring this art project to fruition and continue to improve the aesthetic along West Colfax. Moreover, Prestige Imports is still amid its planning for a major new investment in its current West Colfax location. The proposed multimillion investment will help continue the momentum here along Lakewood's historic West Colfax Avenue. For this reason, continuing to store its luxury vehicles on this property is essential for Prestige to maintain its current operations as well as undertake new construction.

Granting the extension will maintain the current land use since Prestige Imports is currently storing its vehicles on the property. The approval of the extension is both integral to its ongoing business and a benefit to the West Colfax corridor.

Prestige Imports is a longtime community partner, with a legacy of positive impact on our commercial corridor. We support the request and encourage you to approve the extension of the Long-Term Temporary Use Permit.

Sincerely,

Dan Lundin, West Colfax Community Association

Immediate Past President, Board Member President/Owner - Banner Signs & Decals