Wells, Chris

From: jvrapacz@aol.com

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2019 2:48 PM

To: Mayor

Cc: Wells, Chris; ; ; ; ; ; ; ; ; Heck,

; Patrick; Lemmer, Lindsay; Verveer, Michael; Rummel, Marsha;

Subject: Demolition Project No. 57810-Demolition 636 W. Washington Avenue: Plan Commission

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Mayor and Council members,

I was just made aware of the proposed demolition of the Kelly's Market on W. Washington Avenue. I would like to state my disapproval of this idea. As someone who works in the downtown Madison area, I find it very difficult to find a gas station/convenience store in the area that is as accessible as Kelly's Market. This market is a benefit not only to those of us who work downtown, but also to the many residents in the area. My mother sold her home in the Tenny-Lapham area 4 years ago and currently lives just blocks from Kelly's Market, which she is able to walk to if necessary.

Please think long and hard and vote no to the demolition of 636 W. Washington Ave.

Thank you!

Jim Rapacz

Wells, Chris

From: Ron Luskin <ronluskin@tds.net>

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2019 2:41 PM

To: Wells, Chris

Cc: ; Verveer, Michael

Subject: 636 West Washington Project

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Chris Wells:

I'm Ron Luskin a resident of 4th Ward Lofts on West Main Street. I am the chair of the joint Mifflin/Bassett Neighborhood steering committee that we constituted to review the project under consideration at 636 West Washington Avenue.

The development team for this project has been very proactive and cooperative in working with the neighborhood. Alder Verveer hosted a public meeting. The development team met individually with both the Mifflin and Bassett Street Neighborhood groups. Once our neighborhood steering committee was convened we met with the project development team at least three times.

The neighborhood is very supportive of the project. From the beginning we felt the project concept and designs presented to us were very good. As the Urban Design Commission requested changes we were apprised of the design changes as they evolved by virtue of our continuing schedule of meetings I referenced earlier.

At this juncture, we only wish for the City of Madison to do what is necessary to properly control for the safety of vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians. Once this project is completed, we wish for the situation to be safe as vehicles going to and coming from the building interact with other vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians that may interact with each other on this very busy street and the very busy intersection at Bedford Street and West Washington Avenue.

Thank you,

Ron Luskin, MPA

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"The time is always right to do what is right." Rev Martin Luther King, Jr