### PLANNING DIVISION STAFF REPORT

January 29, 2020



#### PREPARED FOR THE URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION

**Project Address:** 6225 University Avenue

Application Type: New Four-Story, Multi-Family Apartment Building in UDD No. 6

Final Approval is Requested

Legistar File ID # 57764

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## **Background Information**

**Applicant | Contact:** Joe Krupp, 6225 University Avenue, LLC Madison/Kevin Burow, Knothe & Bruce Architects, LLC

**Project Description:** The applicant is seeking UDC Final approval to construct a four-story, 53-unit multi-family apartment building with 48 underground parking stalls and 15 surface stalls. The applicant is also seeking approval from the Plan Commission to rezone the property from NMX to TR-U2 in order to demolish the existing two-story commercial building and construct the new multi-family building.

### **Project Schedule:**

- The UDC granted Initial Approval for project on December 11, 2019
- The Plan Commission approved the conditional use on January 13, 2020 pending UDC Final Approval

**Approval Standards:** The UDC is an **approving body** on this request. The site is located in Urban Design District 6 (UDD No. 6), which requires that the Urban Design Commission review the proposed project using the design standards and guidelines for that district in MGO Section 33.24(13).

# **Summary of Design Considerations and Recommendations**

Planning Division staff requests that the UDC provide feedback on the exterior design and appearance of the building, pedestrian circulation, parking locations & landscape plan and comment based on the specific Guidelines and Standards of **UDD No. 6.** 

Staff recommends that the Commission refer to their comments from the December 11<sup>th</sup> Initial Approval:

- Recommend adding arborvitae trees along south neighbor lot
- Recommend ADA striping extending through and along the south access road, narrow up the asphalt paving and include additional arborvitae
- Look at grading around the 24-inch Oak tree to assure saving the tree
- Bring a sample of the retaining wall material