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Dear Mr. Hogan,

Thank you for contacting me regarding the development decisions being considered at Grandview Commons on Madison's East side. I continue to monitor the process and appreciate your comments and thoughts.

I understand the controversy regarding the size of a planned grocery store. I am inclined to support the addition of a grocery store if the size is limited to 40,000 square feet or smaller. I would have to be shown convincing evidence to agree that a larger space is necessary to make the development financially viable. City Planning Department staff report that a large number of comments have been received both for and against the proposed grocery store and the requested plan changes. As part of the review process, the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development will be carefully evaluating the plans and considering the input. I am relying on the continued work of city staff on this matter. I know that 3rd District Alder Lauren Cnare is also working closely with staff, developers and the neighborhood.

Sincerely, Paul R. Soghin Mayor

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