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Madison, WI 53705  
December 3, 2015

Chair and Members, City of Madison Plan Commission  
%City of Madison, Dept. of Planning and Development  
215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53701

Re: University Hill Farms Neighborhood Plan

Chair and Members of the Madison Plan Commission:

This letter is to urge you to adopt the University Hill Farms Neighborhood Plan as prepared as a supplement to the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan. This Plan was developed over a two-to-three year period with extensive public, city staff and consultant involvement. In addition, the Plan was approved by the City-formed Ad Hoc Steering Committee.

As a member of the Ad Hoc Steering Committee I am concerned about the recommendation to move the Sheboygan Community Gardens to Rennebohm Park, there is not room for 60 or so garden plots that had existed on the Hill Farms site on 1.9 acres. To attempt to relocate these gardens to Rennebohm Park in a reasonably sunny location would disrupt existing park uses that have been part of Rennebohm Park for several years, such as the Capitol City band concerts.

It would seem that representatives of the Gardens should look further at the lands to be sold at the Hill Farms State Office Building site, or perhaps at Garner Park near their parking lot. As an alternative they may need to find several sites that could accommodate 15-20 garden plots at each smaller location.

I would urge approval of the University Hill Farms Neighborhood Plan as approved by the Steering Committee.

Sincerely,



Thomas Favour  
Member of the Hill Farms Plan  
Ad Hoc Steering Committee