

Sara,

I just wanted to let you know that I am an eager supporter of the new BBQ restaurant. We live on Madison Street a few blocks away. Our neighborhood needs to fill the empty spaces on Monroe- it isn't good for anyone to have retail and other spaces vacant as long as several have been. And I'd love to see another bar and another restaurant. I've been disappointed at how hard our neighborhood has made it for entrepreneurs and vendors to come in, and most of the people I speak to feel similarly. (People I've spoken to would love a breakfast spot, wine bar, or ice cream shop too). The few individuals who live closest and have been most concerned chose to purchase homes with their backyards facing retail and restaurants, and got a hefty discount on the price of their homes to do so. I appreciate how much you have worked to accommodate them but please don't let the few outweigh the many with respect to helping our neighborhood thrive.

Take care,
Kate Toews