

Normandy Square Apartment Resident Workgroup
6509 Normandy Lane
Madison, WI 53719

November 1, 2022

Re: 6604 Odana Rd. 6 Story Apartment Building
Market Square Redevelopment

Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 403
Madison, WI 53703

Cc: Chris Wells, Project Manager; Keith Furman, District 19 Alder; Allison Garfield, The Cap Times;
Barry Adams, The Wisconsin State Journal

Dear Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

We the residents of Normandy Square strongly protest the proposed plans to construct the 6-story apartment building on the Market Square Theatre site. The building will tower over everything else in the area and is within 50 feet of our building. It is unreasonable to put a 6-story building in such close proximity to ours. It will make it very difficult for emergency vehicles to attend to our needs. Please refer to the enclosed, you will find resident comments of their concerns regarding construction of the 6-story apartment building being proposed by Apex Real Estate Holdings and Walter Wayne Development LLC. There are no 6-story buildings in the immediate area nor are there any being proposed.

Normandy Square Apartments is a community of elderly people, many of whom are dependent on scooters, wheelchairs, walkers, and canes in order to live their remaining years with some semblance of mobility, respect, quiet and safety in a secure living environment. The proposed building would cause much hardship and safety concerns to our residents.

We ask that you come and visit us at Normandy Square and see the situation through our eyes. The time will come, in your lives, when you too will be looking through our "windows". Then, we believe, you will agree that our objections are valid. Would you want to be looking at 6 stories of people looking back at you?

We will thank you to give serious consideration to the health and well being of the nearly 100 residents at Normandy Square and consider changing your plans.

Sincerely,

Normandy Square Apartment Resident Workgroup

Caroline Robinson #307
Dawn E Andrews #219
Carol A Kiley

Lourdes A. Secchi
6509 Normandy Lane
207 Madison, WI 53719

10/03/22

Dear Sirs,

I've lived here, at Normandy, for about three years. My room is ample, just right for me, close to a shopping center and a drugstore. If I want, close to Hy-Vee and St. Vincent. I've living a quiet life, minding my own business, working from home, doing exercises every morning, painting, and reading out in the porch at the 1st floor or at my apartment. My life has been wonderful.

Since I've heard they are building a 6-story building in front of our building, (6604 Odana Road) I have been upset for different reasons, which is the reason why I'm writing this letter.

The year 2010 was an awful year for me. I suffered three (3) strokes and I almost died. I was living in FL. then. My sister, Ana M. Boatwright brought me to WI, Madison. I lived for 3 years in a Nursing Home, I went to Assisted Living at Heritage for two (2) years, and the I moved to Independent Living for three (3) years. That's when I heard about Normandy, and I though it is fabulous.

As you can see, my life for the last 10+ years it been pretty calm for my health.

My concerns are as follows:

- I live on the second floor in the front of the building. The air is going to be sandy, dusty, heavy, and powdery, I think for two years (supposed). I suffer from bronchial-asthma.
- I depend on rides: paratransit, transit-solution, MTM, Badger Bus, as I'm not able to drive. As it looks on the map, there's no space for a large car to turn around. It depends on the width of the Lane (street) for it turn. As the bus only has one way for me to enter.
- I suffer from seizures. If needed, I have to call EMS, when they come, also comes the police and the fire trucks. I believe there's no space for them to assist me.
- When you build something that large, you must think on WHO your neighbors are. It completely overshadows my apartment. I'll be looking at my neighbor. That's something I don't want.
- I've stated my concerns, as they are valid. If you ask me, I would make front of Normandy Lane wider and make the entrance on Odana Road and on the side of Yellowstone Road, and for maintenance make it on the other side. **Just leave the Normandy Lane wider and alone.**

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My concern(s) regarding the proposed
6604 Odana Road - 6 story - 98 unit Apartment Building

I am a resident at Normandy Square Apartments - 6509 Normandy Lane


Cities & Climate Crisis: Low-rise buildings are the future. Tall buildings: GOOD for housing crisis, BAD for the climate crisis and our ecosystem.

Has the climate change crisis been addressed in the construction of the proposed 6 story apartment building?

Apex Real Estate Holdings proposes to build a 6 story 98 unit apartment building on the Market Square Theatre site.

I am a 77 year old woman living in a south facing apartment across from the proposed site. I chose to live in the Normandy Square apartments because it is a welcoming community based apartment complex. It is close to shopping, medical care, restaurants, transportation etc. Life was good when all of a sudden "BAM" life was turned upside down. With the prospect of a 6 story towering apartment building being built almost on top of us, it would certainly hover over our humble 3 story building!!!

PLEASE WE ARE BEGGING YOU TO SEE THAT THE NUMBER OF STORIES WILL BE LOWERED SO WE CAN BE EQUALS IN OUR FIGHT FOR A HEALTHIER PLANET!!

Signed  Apt. # 219 Date 10/6/2022

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View from my bedroom + balcony.

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I am a resident at Normandy Square Apartments - 6509 Normandy Lane

I am concerned about how it will effect our quality of life here at Normandy. I moved here, as a senior citizen because it was a peaceful, quiet area, close to shopping, entertainment, safe areas to walk and away from high traffic.

I live on the third floor of Normandy Square across the driveway from the Theatre building and I am concerned about having a 6 story-98 unit apartment building towering over everything else in the area.

* I am concerned about the health of our residents.

With 100+ more people living in close proximity to our building; the "people noise", the noise from so many more cars driving through in front of our building, and the potential noise in the evenings when many seniors are "early to bed."

* I am concerned about the "noise pollution" & "air pollution" caused during construction & beyond.

* I am concerned that traffic between our building and the proposed building will make it dangerous for many of our residents with walkers and motorized scooters and other health issues to venture out for exercise, shopping or having a friend or Badger Bus take them to appointments.

* I am concerned that with a six story building so close to ours would block any view that we have, and people would be looking down into our apartments making it necessary to keep our blinds closed which is unacceptable.

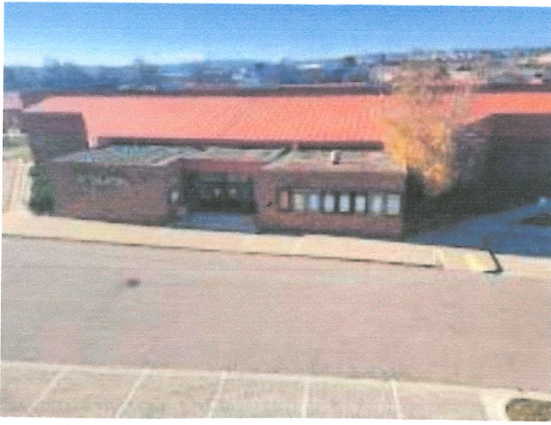
* I am concerned because the proposed building would tower over everything else in the area and take away the peaceful, quiet home that the seniors in our building expected to have when we chose to live here.

Studies have shown that tall buildings are more harmful to the environment than lower ones, so, if the only option for the space is an apartment building, make the proposed building no higher than our building here at Normandy Square. Or find other options for the theatre building.

Signed Caroline Robinson Apt.# 307

Date 10-2-2022

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*View from Normandy
Square Apartment*

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I am a resident at Normandy Square Apartments - 6509 Normandy Lane
This housing project is TOO CLOSE to us -- only a two-lane
road away. During the construction phase we here in
Normandy Square will be subjected to noise, dust, &
construction traffic, & once the construction is completed
there will still be noise & increased traffic. There are other
projects in this vicinity -- some recently completed (Urbana),
some still under construction (University Park), some proposed
(Radisson, White House Shoppes) -- but the Odana Road cinema
project is the ONLY one that will have an impact on
immediately residential neighbors. We're SENIORS, so you
can well imagine that dust, noise, & traffic are not only
inconveniences for us -- they ENDANGER us. I thank you for
considering my objection to this project.

Signed Clare L Boulanger Apt. # 308 Date 10/2/2022
CLARE L BOULANGER

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I do not want a 5 1/2 story apartment building erected on the site of the Madison Square theaters. Madison Square theaters should concern itself with being a "showing example" for climate control. We're all suffering from the horrendous effects of climate change. If housing is so sorely needed surely we can still maintain a 5 star rating by building with a community look instead of a row of tenements. Three story buildings are better for us all. Turn it into a Dinner Theater.

[Handwritten signature]

Apt 325

Signed Carol O'Kiley Apt. # 325 Date Oct 1, 2022

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I am a resident at Normandy Square Apartments - 6509 Normandy Lane

I am concerned about the great increase in traffic with
100 98 apts - That means about 98 more cars coming & going
in early AM & 5pm. Our small space is not built for that.
I'm sure the developers have ~~some~~ answers for that, as all
"good" ~~business~~ ~~business~~ business men & politicians always
seem to have when the general public questions their
plans.

Six stories is also too many for this area - Don't imagine
that the developers & their money backers live in these kind of
neighborhoods. When I moved here in 2019, this seemed like
a relatively quiet & pleasant place. All of this crowded apt. living
certainly will change that!

Signed Nancy Pokorny Apt. # 324 Date 10/5/22

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I am a resident at Normandy Square Apartments - 6509 Normandy Lane
I moved here to be with older people and didn't
want to live by crying children or
kids noisily playing outside! Who do I
think will be moving in to the new apartment
building - families with kids (young and old)
I also like the quiet streets we have now.
Of course we get a hot rod noise once in a
while. But how much more traffic and
noise will there be with another apartment
complex so close to ours??

Signed Darlene Hong Apt. # 108 Date 10-2-22

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1. My concerns are Building to high. No higher than 4 stories.
2. A lot of noise while construction is going.
3. Very hard for people who come to visit to park cars.

Signed

Shawn Heikety Apt. # 109 Date 10-02-22

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I am a resident at Normandy Square Apartments - 6509 Normandy Lane

Health problems for seniors who
already have some problems.

a six story building is too much!!
It will drown us out. Terrible
for climate as well as people.

Signed Bud Kalerstein Apt. # 122 Date 9-16-2020

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One word describes the above title and that word is "greed". All of the low-life's that came up with the idea of a 6 story apt. Bldg. are only concerned with making money for themselves & care not about the residents of the 6509 facility. I feel once the Teardown begins many of the residents here will be sickened from all the dust & debris that will come. Still the "6 story" greed falls even't care, it's all about the money. A much better idea was proposed by the now departed Grand who proposed turning the theatres into a market-place, but of course there was no money for the greedy in the

Signed

Michael Alexander

Apt. #

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Date

10/3/02

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I have made many changes since 2020. My husband of 59 years passed away in 2020. Two weeks later my children went through my house in Oklahoma and started throwing everything away. My daughter is a CRC-Heart and she wants me in Madison. Then I was moved during the Covid!

I love living in my Normandy Apt and my concern is I do not ever want to move. I just started to learn my neighbors and I am so excited about my future!

Normandy is a quite, lovely area. I feel protected here. Can go for walks, have friends my age, Restaurants, Shopping etc. What will my future be like?

I want it to stay quiet, safe and a loving place to live. This is for 55 & above - Older community. I am near 80 years young. Concerned about traffic, Noise. Respect for the Elder. Do not want a building towering over ours. The many months ahead, the noise, dirt blowing. Please consider the height, Not taller than ours.

Signed Kathryn Deyan Apt. # 120 Date 10/5/2022

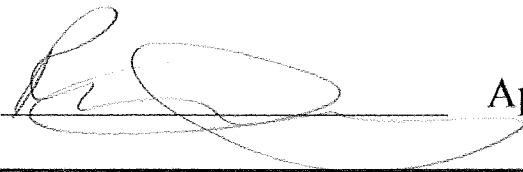
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MY CONCERN IS THE FACT OF TURNING A QUIET AREA INTO A NOISY ONE, TOO MUCH DUST OF DOING THE TEAR DOWN, RESIDENTS LIKE ME HAVE C.O.P.D. THE NOISE AT WEE EARLY HOURS OF THE ~~MORNING~~ MORNINGS. I THINK THIS WHOLE THING IS NON SENCE. AND THE TRAFFIC IT WILL CAUSE.

Signed



Apt. # 123

Date 10-4-2022

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