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Dear Joe,

I am interested in serving on the City of Madison TIF Joint Review Board. I have a long-standing interest in tax increment financing, dating back to my seven years as the District 11 Alder (2009-2016). During that time the Council reviewed several TIF projects and a handful of district creations and modifications, and some of those processes I took a large role in. In 2013 and 2014 I chaired the five Alder committee which redrafted the City's TIF policy from the ground up, so I am very familiar with both its requirements and the state law which defines TIF. I also spent several years on the Plan Commission, Economic Development Committee, and two years as Council President, all of which further broadened my relevant experience.

Given that work experience I believe I have something to offer as a member of the JRB, and I would like to do so. I have always strived to review proposals by the relevant standards and to avoid bringing other objectives outside of those standards into the process.

Thank you for your consideration,

Chris Schmidt