

From: Kristine Giornalista
Sent: Tuesday, January 05, 2016 5:15 PM
To: Skidmore, Paul; Schmidt, Christopher
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Strong Support for Development at 7933 Tree Lane

Dear Alder Skidmore and Alder Schmidt,

My name is Kristine Giornalista and I am a resident of District 11. I am writing to express my support for the permanent supportive housing development proposed for 7933 Tree Lane in District 9, which will come before the Common Council tonight. Unfortunately, I am not able to attend the meeting tonight to voice my support in person.

Both Heartland Housing and the Madison YWCA have proven track records in developing, managing and providing services in similar developments. The 45-unit development will be an asset to the west side community. During community meetings, the Urban Design Commission hearing and the Plan Commission hearing, the Heartland Housing-YWCA development team demonstrated that the building meets Madison's design and zoning standards. While the site is not ideal for multifamily housing, the truth is that no site will be without negative attributes. The development team has shown they are able and willing to mitigate concerns, such as those raised about children's safety in the ravine and impacts on storm water management. Madison needs more housing for vulnerable families and this site provides ample amenities for these families to thrive.

Thank you for your consideration and ongoing work for the City.

Sincerely,
Kristine Giornalista
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From: Jan Lehmann
Sent: Tuesday, January 05, 2016 11:11 AM
To: Skidmore, Paul;
Subject: Proposed Tree Lane Project

Dear Mr. Skidmore,

I know this is late in coming , but thought I'd give it a try anyway. January 5 came up fast!

My husband and I attended two of the previous meetings regarding the site for housing for homeless families. We are 21 year residents of the Oakbridge neighborhood adjacent to the proposed Tree Lane site.

Briefly, **a major concern is the population density of this project in a small space, and in a neighborhood that already has considerable population density (many apartments, condos, etc.).** There seems to not be nearly enough open space to support family living, for many of the reasons that have been stated in the meetings.

The second question we have is "**why Tree Lane again?**". The neighborhoods of this far west side area have supported a sizable low income housing project on the other end of Tree Lane for many years. **Should one street of only several blocks support 2 projects?**

We would ask you to consider all concerns from the neighborhoods this will strongly impact before going ahead with your decision.

Thank you,

Janice and Lawrence Lehmann
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