Greetings-

I held a neighborhood meeting 3/1 for all three licenses on your 3/14 ALRC agenda. Usually I try to have my meeting before the neighborhood association meets but that didn't work out this time. Approximately 32 neighbors and adjacent business owners attended. Many of the neighbors had attended the MNA Board meeting and were supportive of the license conditions in MNA's recommendation. I support MNA's license conditions as well. I do have some additions noted below.

Thanks for your service. I plan to attend the meeting for a while.

Alder Marsha Rummel

17. 25270 Public Hearing - New License
Rising Dough Inc • dba Madison Sourdough
916 Williamson St • Agent: David Lohrentz
Estimated Capacity: Indoor 52, Outdoor 30
Class B Beer & Class C Wine • 5% alcohol, 42% food, 53% other
Aldermanic District 6 (Alder Rummel) • Police Sector 408 • Density Area

I support the license for Madison Sourdough. As noted in the MNA letter, Madison Sourdough has been discussing their plans for the patio with the neighborhood for over a year. At the meeting, David Lohrentz described the basic idea to close the cafe at 5p. They propose to have "special events" 1x/month on average where they would like to stay open until 10p and serve alcohol. I support a condition that their license ends at 10p and perhaps a ballpark number of special events if ALRC thinks it is needed. The owners propose to add outdoor service and agree to close it by 10p when the cafe is open late for special events. The capacity mentioned at the meeting was 50 indoors/30 outdoors for a total of 80. The application is slightly different 52/30 for a total of 82, I'm fine with either. The creation of the patio will eliminate three parking stalls and one nearby business owner opposed the license because of the stress caused by the intensification of retail uses on the block and increased demand for parking.

Mr. Lohrentz mentioned a shared parking agreement with Plan B in the application but their non-accessory use needs to be formalized with the property owner. This should be strongly encouraged. Except for one individual, there strong support at the meeting. BTW the title mentions this address is in the Density Area, it is not.