

October 5, 2009

TO: City of Madison Plan Commission  
State Street Design Oversight Committee

Cc: Kevin Briski/Parks Superintendent  
Mark Olinger/Director, Planning & Economic & Community Development

FROM: Downtown Madison, Inc. Safety Committee/Scott Neitzel, Chair

The Downtown Madison, Inc. (DMI) Safety Committee supports the proposed plan for Lisa Link Peace Park. The committee is chaired by immediate past chair of the DMI Board, Scott Neitzel.

DMI was been deeply involved in the Lisa Link Peace Park plan since fall of 2001. They are responsible for organizing, administering and funding the Lisa Link Peace Park Advisory Committee that met for over two years and resulted in a concept plan for the park that was approved by the City of Madison Common Council on April 24, 2004.

The DMI Safety Committee supports the planned park redesign and Visitor Center with public bathrooms, police office, and ATM as a positive addition to the environment downtown and consistent with the work of the Lisa Link Peace Park Advisory Committee.

The DMI Safety Committee also supports the proposed ATM as appropriate for a Visitor Center in the middle of a retail district, and as a way to create a "full service stop" for the center.