

Dean Loumos

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To: Dean Loumos
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City of Madison Plan Commission
Re: Housing Initiatives Conditional Use Permit
7/30/2017

At a meeting a few months ago the Brentwood Village Association had a chance to hear about the work that Housing Initiatives does and about their plans in our neighborhood. The Association viewed the plans to convert one of the apartments into an office favorably.

Housing Initiatives has operated one building in our neighborhood to give housing to homeless people with mental illness for years without any significant problems. The program has since been expanded to two more adjacent buildings. The buildings are well maintained and address the needs of people for dignified housing. The proposal to have an office staffed there within one of the buildings will allow essential services and support to be provided right where they are needed. This should allow for the staff to be aware of the residents needs quickly and effectively. It would be of benefit to the other neighbors here for the residents of these buildings to have access to Housing Initiatives staff to help avert any potential problems as they arise.

Dean Luomos gave us an in depth presentation at a neighborhood association meeting, with details about the program in general, as well as this proposal specific to our neighborhood. I feel that we are well informed about the proposal to establish an office in one of the apartments, and that it will be of benefit to the residents of those buildings as well as the neighborhood as a whole.

Sincerely,
Alisha Steele
president, Brentwood Village Association Board