

1233 Regent Street Development (Jensen's)

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Commission Members.

Although I am a Vilas Neighborhood Association Council Member, I am writing this as an individual.

I fully support the development project at 1233 Regent Street. Although this development is in the Greenbush Neighborhood, it sets the direction for future redevelopment along all of Regent Street.

The lack of canopy trees has been a concern, especially for affordable housing. Regent Street for example, is a tree desert and heat island.)

I fully support the following:

- 1. Moving the sidewalk and creating an 8-foot grass terrace is an exciting opportunity and will set precedent for future redevelopments along Regent Street.**
 - This will create a wider terrace for at least **4 canopy trees**.
 - It will increase pedestrian safety and comfort
 - It will allow more room (with or without a shelter) for the bus stop.
 - The moving of the sidewalk is similar to the recent development at 821 Williamson Street.
 - The terrace on S. Orchard Street is 8 ½ feet. The plans do not show it, but **2 canopy trees** should be placed there also.
- 2. The proposed green roof.**
- 3. The proposed convenient exterior bike parking.**
- 4. The affordable housing aspect**

Regards

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