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Dear Plan Commission:

Thus far, I am very encouraged by the redevelopment I see in the 'Archipelago Village' block. The restoration and reuse of the Kleuter warehouse is wonderful, and I generally enjoy the design of Mr Brink's plans for the rest of the site.

While I support the redevelopment of the block and the proposed office tower, I do not think that 924 E Main should be demolished. **The city's own Capitol Gateway Corridor plan specifically mentions standards for all development on E Main St: "The Corridor should become more pedestrian friendly as a strong link to downtown and retain its cluster of historic brick buildings"**

924 E Main is exactly the type of modest brick structure the plan points out we should maintain. I think it can nicely be incorporated in some capacity into the overall plans for the block.

I think that as this corridor develops more and becomes a destination district, we will sorely regret losing these modest, pedestrian-scale historic facades. In a decade, this several-block stretch will likely have many new buildings bringing new businesses, offices, and residents to the area. I hope that along with the new, we can retain a bit of the area's historic past. Please consider repurposing this structure and incorporating it into the overall design scheme.

Best regards,
Lance Lattimer
Marquette neighborhood resident

