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1422 Northport Drive  Demolish commercial building to allow construction of credit union w/ drive-up window  Brad McClain - UW Credit Union/David Ewanowski - Kee Architecture  PLANNING DIVISION CONTACT: Kevin Firchow
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## Firchow, Kevin

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Weier, Anita

Sent:

Tuesday, June 05, 2012 11:23 AM Stouder, Heather; Murphy, Brad

To:

Cc:

Firchow, Kevin

Subject:

UW Credit Union branch proposal at 1422 Northport

## Greetings:

Please keep me informed when the credit union branch goes before Urban Design and the Planning Commission. I support this wholeheartedly as proposed by the UW Credit Union. The Northside is a low-income area with few businesses, and we very much need this credit union.

Regards and thanks for all your work,

Alder Anita Weier

## Firchow, Kevin

Subject:

FW: UWCU on Northport Drive

----Original Message----

From: Char Tortorice [mailto:cetortor@wisc.edu]

Sent: Thursday, June 21, 2012 12:29 PM

To: Murphy, Brad

Subject: UWCU on Northport Drive

Dear Mr. Murphy:

I am writing as an officer of the Lakeview Hill Neighborhood Association whose boundries include the site of the proposed Northport Drive UW Credit Union. On Sunday, June 10th, we had our annual picnic. No business is ever conducted at this fun social event. This year, however, even in 90 degree heat, we held a business meeting to vote to formally support the current plans for the UW Credit Union. I have contacted our alder, Anita Weier, and she encouraged me to write to you.

Many of us have attended meetings about the building site since the inception of the idea to bring the credit union to our neighborhood. The back and forth was a bit frustrating but things seemed to be working in a democratic manner and eventually we thought it was a "go". We now understand that the current plan does not mesh with an overall design strategy that the city has adopted. A Main Street design is lovely but this site already has parking in front of the two businesses immediately adjacent to it. Plus the safety issue of having the drive-up window and TYME machine on the side, visible from the street, far outweighs any preapproved design preference.

Bottom line: we really do want the credit union to be sited on Northport Drive and opened as quickly as possible. Going out to Commercial Avenue is taxing timewise and resource-wise and the branch on the Square does not have a drive-up window, making it difficult for the elderly, disabled, parents with little ones, or those who just can't find parking, to make full use of it.

Please help us make this project happen. It is a perfect complement to the economic focus that is growing here on the northside.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Char Tortorice

1520 Drewry Lane (yes, I do have a vested interest in this as I could walk to the credit union) for Lakeview Hill Neighborhood Association



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June 21, 2012

Nancy E. Fey, Chair Plan Commission City of Madison c/o Planning Division 215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. PO Box 2985 Madison, WI 53701-2985

Dear Ms. Fey:

The Northside Planning Council (NPC) and the Northside Economic Development Coalition (NEDC) would like to convey our enthusiastic support for the UW Credit Union proposal to demolish the current commercial building at 1422 Northport Drive and build a new credit union at that location.

NPC is now into its 19th year working to make the Northside of Madison better. NPC maintains its long-term primary focus on the broader community and the people that live in it, while continuing to build partnerships to support both new and existing Northside businesses. The NPC Board affirmed its support for the UW Credit Union (UWCU) project at its June 20<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. The NEDC was formed by NPC in 2010 to bring interested business and community leaders together to help grow businesses on the Northside. The NEDC confirmed its support at their May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

We are in complete support of the current plan which places the parking near the street and the drive-through on the west end of the property. This design fits with the surrounding businesses and makes sense for this area. Northport Drive/113 is a state highway that narrows from six to four lanes at the entrance to the property rather than a more urban downtown/walking neighborhood. We also support the proposed design based on the expert safety analysis that has been done. This design is in the best interest of the UWCU, their customers, and the Northside as a whole.

NPC, NEDC, and the broader Northside community thanks the UWCU for seeing the opportunity and investing in the Northside of Madison.

Sincerely,

Sue Gleason

NPC Board Chair and Northside Economic Development Coalition Chair

Cc: Anita Weier, 19<sup>th</sup> District Alder

Brad McClain, UW Credit Union

NPC Board NEDC Members

## Firchow, Kevin

From: Sent:

Pam Puckett [pjpuckett1@charter.net]

To:

Tuesday, June 26, 2012 9:42 AM Firchow, Kevin

To: Subject:

**UW Credit Union Northport** 

Good morning Mr. Firchow,

I am writing to let you know that I highly support the proposed UWCU project slated for the old Brennans property on Norhtport Drive.

It is time for that property to be developed, and I believe that UWCU will be an excellent neighbor. I urge you to support the proposal put forth by UWCU at the July 9th meeting.

Thank You,

Pam Puckett 1717 Sachtjen Street Madison, WI 53704