From: **Ben Nerad** < > Date: Wed, Jan 22, 2014 at 3:14 PM Subject: Union corners To: "Rummel, Marsha" <<u>district6@cityofmadison.com</u>>

Marsha,

I wanted to echo some of the comments recently on the SASYNA facebook page and list serv.

I was disappointed to see in the recent version of the development plans a shift away from a development that seemed to be pedestrian and community friendly and that had potential to really help transform that part of E. Wash, to one instead in which the cars and surface level parking seem to be a focus. Quite frankly, the updated plans look like a cookie cutter design that could be in any city or suburb, rather than fitting into the near-east side of Madison.

I understand that market realities have to dictate portions of the development, but I feel that the neighborhood was subject to a "bait and switch" when comparing the recent design with that from last year. I would like to see more public/pedestrian/bike spaces, less surface level parking, and more density (building height) especially along E. Wash.

Thanks,

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