

**From:** Elizabeth Bearden <**Sent:** Tuesday, June 10, 2014 10:03 AM  
**To:** Rummel, Marsha  
**Subject:** Concerns regarding 330 E. Wilson Street

Dear City Alder Rummel,

As a resident of the First Settlement Neighborhood (132 S. Hancock St.), it is important to me that any proposed development takes into consideration the context of the neighborhood and the needs of the community. The view coming down S. Hancock Street towards the lake will be radically compromised if approval is granted for the 330 E. Wilson Street development proposal, and pedestrian safety will be reduced. The developers have seemed unwilling to yield on the height of the building – even though six stories is out of context with this section of downtown.

Additionally, the proposal doesn't protect the historic view-shed down S. Hancock Street (towards Lake Monona) as the building would be built without any setback off of the street (inconsistent with the historic Kleuter Building next door).

As a pedestrian who uses a guide dog (I am visually impaired), I am particularly concerned about reducing the already narrow sidewalks on this corner further and adding a turn in for parking for this building, making for potentially less visibility of pedestrians on the part of cars and less room for pedestrians to travel safely. At a minimum the developers should be willing to provide a 5-10 foot setback to help preserve the historic nature and natural urban beauty of our neighborhood and to insure the safety of pedestrians on Hancock and Wilson Streets.

If the development team is unwilling to make any of these changes (reduce height of building or addition of setback off of Hancock Street) I'd ask you to not support this project.

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Bearden