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Subject: Proposed Project for 1000 Block of Fish Hatchery Road

To the Urban Design Commission,

I respectfully request that you postpone any decision you might make in regard to the development on the 1000 block of Fish Hatchery until the neighbors have been given the opportunity to understand specifically what the development entails and how it will likely impact the area. I live less than [REDACTED] mile away at [REDACTED] West Shore Drive.

Last Thursday, a 2 1/2 hour meeting for sharing ideas and offering feedback was held at the Water Utility Building. It was not limited to the same topics as the Urban Design Commission. Repeatedly when people asked about the impact of this proposed development, we were told those questions are not under the purview of the Urban Design Commission. I stayed for the full meeting to become informed about the anticipated impacts of the development, but came away disappointed. Three representatives from the developer and two representatives from the city were there. Because we have never been shown diagrams of the floor plans of the buildings, one neighbor asked how many bedrooms are being proposed to be in the development. The number of bedrooms is a relevant question because if there are large apartments with one bedroom the impact on the neighborhood would be smaller. If there are many apartments with two or even three bedrooms, the impact will be much different. And, honestly if 450 people move in on one block instead of 175 that makes a difference to the neighbors as far as population density and parking.

I am here to propose that another meeting be held to answer questions from all of the nearby neighbors before the project begins to be approved by city of Madison. The city should mail post cards this time. I had not been notified by the city about the meeting last week.

People should be allowed to submit questions in writing both in advance of the meeting and at the meeting. All questions must be answered. If staff at the meeting are unable to answer the questions, they should say so and arrange to promptly answer the questions in writing through e-mail.

I am sure we all want the process for working with the neighbors, the developer and the city to include informed input from all three parties.

Thank you for your commitment to bringing the people in District 13 together with the city of Madison officials and the developers in using a transparent process to create the best possible design.

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