

Wells, Chris

From: Stouder, Heather
Sent: Monday, April 08, 2019 6:35 AM
To: Wells, Chris
Cc: Firchow, Kevin
Subject: Fw: Support Tri-North Apartment Development at Mineral Point and Whitney Way

Chris-
Please add to the file and to the late handouts for PC this evening. Thank you!
Heather

From: Charles J Gervasi <charlesjgervasi@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 7, 2019 5:51:15 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; Martin, Arvina
Cc: Melinda Gustafson Gervasi
Subject: Support Tri-North Apartment Development at Mineral Point and Whitney Way

Ms. Stouder,

I cannot make the public hearing tomorrow, but I would be happy if my comments were read aloud with attribution at the meeting, if that is appropriate.

I am writing to urge the city to approve the construction of the Tri-North apartment development near Mineral Point Rd and Whitney Way. My wife, Melinda Gustafson Gervasi, and I have lived at [REDACTED] S Whitney Way, two blocks north of the proposed development, for the past nine years.

Approving more housing in the city reduces sprawl into surrounding farmland. Putting new housing units in a location convenient to downtown via multiple bus lines is one small thing we can do to fight climate change. It is very important for local governments to do what we can, at a time when national politicians are ignoring the environment.

Our area is fortunate to have growth in high-tech jobs in established companies like Epic and Promega, fast-growing startups like Exact Sciences, and small startups in the Research Park and downtown. When these companies recruit, location of affordable housing is something candidates need to consider. Residential housing directly supports economic growth.

We urge city planners to approve this and any other new construction projects in our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Charles J Gervasi

Wells, Chris

From: Parks, Timothy
Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2019 3:55 PM
To: 'Augustine Bletzinger'
Cc: Wells, Chris
Subject: RE: Letter to read at the Plan Commission Meeting Tonight

Augustine,

Unfortunately, your comments were not received in time for last night's Plan Commission. However, they will be added to the legislative record for the project and be available when the Plan Commission next considers the project at a future meeting. New notices will be sent before the Commission's next hearing on the project, the date of which is not known at this time.

If you have any other questions about this project, please contact my colleague, Chris Wells, at (608) 261-9135; Chris is copied. If I may be of further assistance, please let me know.

Best regards,
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From: Augustine Bletzinger <aug.bletz@gmail.com>
Sent: April 08, 2019 4:45 PM
To: Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Letter to read at the Plan Commission Meeting Tonight

Good day sir. I understand you are in a position to read a person's comments in the Plan Commission Hearing this evening. I am emailing you thoughts in regards to the Demo and Rezoning to the buildings located at 330 and 340 S. Whitney Way & Mineral Point. Road.

My company is one of the tenants in these buildings. I understand the owners of these buildings can do what they like, I have no issue, or say, about that. But, I would like the following read at tonight's hearing. I know I would have only three minutes if I were there, so I have kept it shorter than that!

Please read the following

The owners of these buildings have every right to be able to do whatever they want. This letter is not being read to dispute that. What it is disputing is the vacancy date

The owners of these buildings have known their intention for quite a long time, going back to when tenants saw city workers shooting new elevations last year. I understand, until you have gone through some preliminary steps to find out if tearing down these buildings is even capable of happening, you may not want to inform current tenants nine to ten months in advance. I get loss of revenue.

But, to just show up and announce that everyone in these buildings have to be vacated by the end of June has placed undue hardships on our company.

They want to tear down these buildings so be it, but to go to tenants, especially ones who have been faithful for a number of years and give them seventy five days to be out doesn't seem fair.

As soon as we were notified of the plan we began working with a commercial realtor. We have talked with building owners/managers in regards to office space and how long build-outs, that would meet our needs, would take. And the feedback we received was at the minimum (and that is once a new lease is negotiated and signed) would be sixty days for a build-out.

I am respectfully asking for sixty more days, (which would be the end of August) to allow us to find new office space, construct a build-out that will adequately meet our companies needs and to be able to plan a move of our entire office and staff without losing much, if any, work-flow on our day to day client activities.
Thank for your time.

-Augustine Bletzinger