

From: [Libbey Meister](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Support Dairy Drive
Date: Monday, October 18, 2021 4:11:59 PM

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I am registering my support for the space at Dairy Drive for the purposes of a homeless encampment. People need a place to live. This space is not ideal but it is the best we can offer. I live in the neighborhood and welcome new neighbors and will work to support them. I urge you to go and support.

Warmly, Libbey

From: [Steve Verburg](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Cc: [Currie, Jael](#)
Subject: Mission District zoning for Dairy Drive site
Date: Monday, October 18, 2021 5:05:43 PM

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Member of the Plan Commission:

I live a short distance from the proposed sheltered encampment on Dairy Drive and I'm writing to urge you to approve the proposed zoning to allow the operation of the site.

This is a small step toward reducing harm that threatens some of our most vulnerable neighbors.

You'll hear from business operators and others who are spreading fearful rumors about what might happen around this site. The fact is that laws are violated every day by residents of every neighborhood in Madison, from the richest to the poorest. Most of these happen behind closed doors and we may never hear about them. People experiencing homelessness have not been shown to be the cause of any crime waves, despite the rumors that are spread about them. Madison police say reported crime has actually gone down in places with "tiny house" settlements.

The Dairy Drive site is not ideal, but no site is. The practice lately in Madison has been to find something wrong with a proposal to help people experiencing homelessness and to use that shortcoming as justification to wait for a better site. When that site comes along, it too is judged imperfect and the game of stall-ball goes on.

Winter is coming. This proposed sheltered encampment is woefully inadequate in capacity and in access to transportation. But as a way of reducing harm it's better than nothing, and in Madison the alternative to Dairy Drive appears to be exactly nothing.

Please vote in favor of this zoning proposal for the Dairy Drive site.

Sincerely,

Steve Verburg
District 16
Madison, Wisconsin

From: [linda faris](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Rezoning agenda item 4
Date: Monday, October 18, 2021 3:24:06 PM

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I am registering in favor of the rezoning.

From: [Barbara Clary](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: rezoning of property located at 3202 Dairy Drive
Date: Monday, October 18, 2021 10:52:20 AM

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As an owner of a building on Dairy Drive, that houses a business, I am objecting to this rezoning. There are many issues with this whole thing ranging from the devaluation of property to the safety of residents and employees coming and going.

In addition I am totally opposed to this rezoning because of the undemocratic way it has been handled. When government does not hold themselves to the same standards that they expect from the citizens' that they serve we no longer have a democratic society. It has been stated that the normal steps that one must take to undergo a building project have been foregone because of an emergency need is in my opinion a bunch of crap. We have had the homeless situation for years and years and now all of a sudden it is an emergency? This project should have been started last winter, gone through the necessary steps, and if found feasible to all including residents and businesses then it could have been started mid summer and finished by this winter.

We all know that this meeting here tonight serves no purpose and that this is a done deal. You are adding to the discontent in this country brought on by the governments total lack of consideration for the same people who have put them in office.

Sincerely,
Barbara Clary
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