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Alder Evers / ALRC Members:

I am writing today with regards to the application for new Class A beer, liquor, and cider licenses for the Amoco gas station at 1129 S Park St (tonight's agenda item 89309). It was in February of 2024 that I had written to you both (Alder Evers and the ALRC) my opposition to the first application for license. At that time, I gave detailed reasons why the license should be denied. In general, this can be best described as failure by the new owner to uphold many of the conditions for the business as outlined in the Conditional Use Permit (CUP), especially the hours of operation.

In my email, I stated that I did not believe the owner to be acting in good faith. While my concerns were heard and conveyed by both the Alder and the Committee in the subsequent hearing, the application was ultimately approved. Specifically, it had been reiterated multiple times, the required hours of operation to the owner as being from 6:00AM to midnight. At the 1:32:23 mark of the meeting's recorded video, one of the members had not only stated those hours, but also clarified that this included the gas pumps as well. The response from the owner was "We can do that".

However, it has been my personal discovery, that the gas station is not currently abiding by the required hours of operation. This is only made known to me from actually leaving my home located behind the gas station to walk around the block and visually observe this. And what I have observed is that the building has been remaining open an additional hour from midnight to 1:00AM. I have further observed that the pumps have remained on through the night. It is unknown to me as to whether the building has been opening earlier than 6:00AM or how many weeks or months such hours have been kept.

It is greatly frustrating that, despite implying that they will comply with or abide by the hours stated in the Conditional Use Permit, the owner has chosen to ignore such requirements. Any confusion or innocent misunderstanding should be unlikely as it appeared on the video that the owner attended the meeting with his lawyer or legal counsel present. And any initial temporary compliance following the approval of the license should not be viewed positively if the owner later acts contrary. While it is not within the purview of the Committee to ensure compliance with any or all requirements of the Conditional Use Permit, as none of the requirements pertain to alcohol, it is certainly in my opinion that an applicant not acting in good faith with any City agency or department, or even simply delinquent or negligent, should be considered as grounds for denying an application for license. Thus, I am

once again stating my opposition to this application for license. And it is my hope that both the Committee and the Alder share in my position.

It is further hoped that both the Alder and the relevant City departments ensure full compliance of the Conditional Use Permit as well as to address non-CUP issues that persist, such as delivery trucks that have once again returned to drive down residential streets to service the gas station. It is further hoped that this includes periodic and random checks of items not currently in compliance for the next five years, since it has been 1.5 years since the first application for license, heavily focusing on hours of operation which might easily be performed by the Madison Police Department. Lastly, while I am ignorant of the City process for alcohol licensing, I want to express my opinion that any existing alcohol licenses for this business be immediately revoked, if such licenses are still valid.

Thank you,
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