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## **Committee for Balanced Development**

## **Planning Commission Members**

The Committee for Balanced Development which generated more than 1300 signatures against the 11 story condominium finds the attached letter, from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, reassurance that someone at a national level has the perspective and principles to reinforce the opinions of many of the East side residents who have very clearly indicated their dismay and rejection of the plans promulgated by New Land Enterprises for Downer Avenue.

When I gave testimony at the last meeting of your body, which addressed the broader Downer Avenue plan, I asked that you act as a deliberate body and serve as a broker of the opinions of the broader East side community and that of the DCD staff and of the intent of the developers. You did not respond to my request.

I must share with you that a majority of East residents, feel as thought these plans have been railroaded through any logical process and debate, and have arrived at some very negative opinions of the objectivity of both the process and legal authorities/bodies created to represent the citizens of the City of Milwaukee. When I spoke to the Zoning Committee I indicated that I felt that the decision to go forward would see dis-investment on the part of East side residents in the neighborhood surrounding Downer Avenue.

I trust that, hopefully, these opinions will be mollified by a deliberate and thoughtful process on your part relative to past decisions and a review of the attached letter from the **National Trust for Historic Preservation**.

Sincerely yours,

Edward jj Olson

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