December 14, 2009

To the Honorable Common Council Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee City of Milwaukee

Dear Committee Members:

File No. 090918 relates to a change in zoning from Two-family Residential (RT2) to Local Business (LB2) on land located North of West Fond du Lac Avenue and West of North 37th Street, the former Robinson Middle School, in the 7th Aldermanic District.

This zoning change is initiated by the Real Estate Division of the City of Milwaukee on behalf of Milwaukee Public Schools, to allow for various redevelopment options including conversion to housing or commercial uses. An RFP is currently open for redevelopment of this site. The RFP states that the existing building may lend itself to conversion to affordable housing through use of affordable housing tax credits administered by WHEDA. The asking price for the site is \$600,000 plus a commitment to redevelop the property according to design criteria and approved plans.

On December 14, 2009, a public hearing was held and at that time two neighbors were opposed to the zoning change and one neighbor spoke in support of the proposal. Since the proposed change complies with the Zoning Code and City plans for the area, the City Plan Commission at its regular meeting on December 14, 2009 recommended approval of the subject file.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux
Executive Secretary
City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

cc: Ald. Willie Wade