

The City Planning Commission of Milwaukee,

142 people have signed a petition on Action Network telling you to Opposing ADU & RT5 Due to Lack of Outreach and Accountability.

Here is the petition they signed:

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You can view each petition signer and the comments they left you below.

Thank you,

Concerned Community Members

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1. **sy s** (ZIP code: 53212)

2. **5 points neighborhood association, inc** (ZIP code: 53212)

3. **Melody McCurtis** (ZIP code: 53210)

4. **Fatima Laster** (ZIP code: 53212)

5. **Herman Fisher** (ZIP code: 53209)

6. **Akilah Laster** (ZIP code: 53208)

**7. Marilyn Laster** (ZIP code: 53206)

**8. Xela Garcia** (ZIP code: 53204)

When developers fail to engage communities meaningfully, the consequences can be deeply harmful, leading to displacement, loss of cultural heritage, and fractured social networks. Projects implemented without community input often overlook local needs, fostering distrust and resentment while exacerbating inequities. This disconnect can result in developments that feel imposed rather than integrated, stripping neighborhoods of their character and alienating longtime residents. A lack of meaningful engagement undermines opportunities for collaboration and creates long-term barriers to sustainable and inclusive growth.

**9. Leonard Wilson** (ZIP code: 53225)

**10. Darrel Melvin Payne** (ZIP code: 53216)

**11. Margaret Lockwood** (ZIP code: 53208)

**12. Ariana Vaeth** (ZIP code: 53212)

**13. Sara Chancellor-Greer** (ZIP code: 53216)

**14. Marie Giordon** (ZIP code: 53206)

No !No! to developers coming into our Community to take over.

**15. Yvonne Toliver** (ZIP code: 53110)

**16. Todd Dunne** (ZIP code: 53211)

**17. Derrick Wilson** (ZIP code: 53212)

**18. Kierston Ghaznavi** (ZIP code: 53226)

**19. Brittany Walker** (ZIP code: 53208)

Listen to the people, YOUR people!!!! Your constituents voices should matter most in these decision making processes!!!!

**20. Adam Ossers** (ZIP code: 53207)

I've been directly impacted by displacement and city development. My lease was terminated with less than 30 days notice in 2021. Since the development of the apartment (Taxco) that replaced my apartment (home) in Walker's Point two local businesses have closed on this street (5th Street).

**21. Beth A Chancellor** (ZIP code: 53216)

Not acceptable for our City and our communities. We are Milwaukee tax payers and residents no less our city, must be a part of the approval decisions.

**22. Pamela Graham** (ZIP code: 53222)

**23. Danielle Paswaters** (ZIP code: 53211)

**24. Ramona Curry** (ZIP code: 53206)

I am against this plan do to not enough community outreach given

**25. Denise Davis** (ZIP code: 53051-4191)

**26. Shamikka Smith** (ZIP code: 53206)

As a resident directly impacted by these proposed zoning changes, I am formally opposing the ADU and RT5 proposals due to a complete lack of outreach, inclusion, and transparency in this process. I was not invited to the table to voice my opinion, ask questions, or express concerns. As someone who lives in this community, decisions that affect our neighborhoods should not be made without the voices of the people who call them home.

To this day, I have not received any information or communication regarding these zoning changes, and I was not made aware of any meetings, discussions, or opportunities for public input. This lack of engagement raises serious concerns about equity, accountability, and whether the decision-making process is being led in the best interest of the residents.

We deserve to be part of the conversations shaping the future of our neighborhoods. Real community engagement means listening before deciding—not informing after a decision has already been made. I am asking for this process to be paused until proper outreach and engagement take place.

**27. Chery Ferrill** (ZIP code: 53224)

**28. Sally Steward-Townsend** (ZIP code: 53208)

I am excited to put my name on this petition, because the community is very important and what happens to it involves the health and growth of everyone.

**29. Mary Anne Schultz** (ZIP code: 53222)

**30. Gail Lightfoot** (ZIP code: 53233)

Let stop corporate greed!!!

This is our community & our voices matter!!!

**31. Matt Rudman** (ZIP code: 53212)

**32. Penelope Smith** (ZIP code: 53216)

**33. Paula Ambos** (ZIP code: 53216)

Please have common courtesy and inform the public!!!!

**34. Ras Nsoroma** (ZIP code: 53206)

People needs over capital greed

**35. Kantara Souffrant** (*ZIP code: 53217*)

Community feedback is a must.

**36. Megan Shepard Smith** (*ZIP code: 53205*)

**37. Martina Patterson** (*ZIP code: 53208*)

**38. Sonji Yarbrough Hunt** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

I support the concept expressed in this petition.

**39. Evelyn Terry** (*ZIP code: 53206*)

Signing to promote transparency and a future in which I exemplify my participation in activism toward best practices for building a just and viable community.

**40. Carson Pittman** (*ZIP code: 53202*)

**41. Portia Cobb** (*ZIP code: 53208*)

**42. Townsend Hunt** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

**43. Malou Noth** (*ZIP code: 53216-3125*)

**44. Lynn Garnaas** (*ZIP code: 532073110*)

**45. Haynie Smith** (*ZIP code: 53205*)

**46. Deidre Trotter** (*ZIP code: 53208*)

**47. Stephanie Mitchell** (*ZIP code: 53225*)

**48. Teresa Winkelman** (*ZIP code: 53221*)

**49. Shana Wilson** (*ZIP code: 53224*)

**50. Angela Jackson** (*ZIP code: 53205*)

**51. Yolanda Odufuwa** (*ZIP code: 53233*)

**52. Damon Shoates** (*ZIP code: 53222*)

**53. Julie Taylor** (*ZIP code: 53213-2417*)

**54. Anne Novotny** (*ZIP code: 53222*)

**55. Denise Crumble** (ZIP code: 53212)

**56. Verneesha Banks** (ZIP code: 53224)

**57. Carmel Soto** (ZIP code: 53233)

**58. Bryan Rogers** (ZIP code: 53206)

**59. Sarah Olson** (ZIP code: 53221)

**60. Claire Moore** (ZIP code: 53212)

We have worked extremely hard to create conscious communities through community gardens. This effort has actually helped improve property values in outlying neighborhoods and increase tax revenue as a result. This is not unused real estate or resources. My personal experience says that development WITHOUT community consult and input could, and will, degrade communities in ways not visible to the outlier. This process of public input is perhaps a bit tedious, but a critical input nonetheless.

Thank you for your time.

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**61. Alexis Tabakow** (ZIP code: 53212)

**62. Janice Nash** (ZIP code: 53218)

Yes I agree

**63. Duwane Morrow** (ZIP code: 53212)

Community must be involved. Accountability, transparency and community involvement.

**64. Suzanne M Clement** (ZIP code: 53211)

**65. Logan Gage** (ZIP code: 53212)

**66. Nikita Smith** (ZIP code: 53206)

**67. Jessica Laub** (ZIP code: 53212)

**68. Valerie Langston** (ZIP code: 53208-4110)

**69. Deanna Kloster** (ZIP code: 53110)

No unfettered development!

**70. ESPERANZA GARCIA MENDEZ** (ZIP code: 53212)

**71. kathryn jelks** (ZIP code: 53210)

**72. Leo Ronczka** (ZIP code: 53202)

**73. Jennifer Larson** (ZIP code: 53227)

**74. Darnisha Griffin** (ZIP code: 53206)

**75. Brittney Taylor** (ZIP code: 53210)

I oppose!!! A big no!!!

**76. Towanda Perkins** (ZIP code: 53218)

**77. Shavonda Sisson** (ZIP code: 53211)

**78. Shannon Sloan-Spice** (ZIP code: 53207)

**79. Catalina Garrett** (ZIP code: 53218)

**80. Chris Ballman** (ZIP code: 53207)

**81. Beth Pennell** (ZIP code: 53211)

**82. Bill Robertson** (ZIP code: 53211)

Yup

**83. emily june breffle** (ZIP code: 53211)

Communication and community is important to the equitable and sustainable development of our cities and our future.

**84. Marshal Stich** (ZIP code: 53212)

**85. Tyler Hart** (ZIP code: 53213)

**86. Morgan Malsom** (ZIP code: 53212)

**87. Catherine Rotello-Dowd** (ZIP code: 53211)

**88. Montana Morris** (ZIP code: 53212)

**89. Jennifer Frey** (ZIP code: 53212)

**90. aari r** (ZIP code: 53221)

**91. Aaron Taylor** (ZIP code: 53212)

**92. alano varela** (ZIP code: 53215)

**93. Gianni Vaccaro** (ZIP code: 53212)

**94. Brennen Schley** (ZIP code: 53130)

**95. Charlicia Brown** (ZIP code: 53210)

**96. Ciara Matthews** (ZIP code: 53210)

**97. Tamara Gibbs** (ZIP code: 53211)

Signed

**98. Alcy Sivyver** (ZIP code: 53188)

**99. Anne Sweney** (ZIP code: 53405)

**100. Topacio Lucero** (ZIP code: 53210)

**101. Danielle Williams** (ZIP code: 53221)

**102. Lauren Bushman** (ZIP code: 53207)

**103. Rachel Owens** (ZIP code: 53207)

**104. Bruce Grau** (ZIP code: 53212)

**105. Sierra Brown** (ZIP code: 53218)

**106. Eriks Johnson** (ZIP code: 53208)

This proposal of allowing developers to do anything they want without community feedback would be a disaster for Milwaukee. And in the long term would be detrimental to developers as well, is abhorrent to me, that this is even being considered.

**107. John Tyson** (ZIP code: 53208)

**108. Kayla Crump** (ZIP code: 53233)

This is news to me that I found out today the impact this has on the community and its ability to cultivate land. Having green spaces is a huge positive and impactful project and plan to have in urban areas where we need it most. We deserve to have spaces that our community can come together (green spaces or not. This can apply to business and organizations) We deserve to have the ability to have something of our own!

**109. Susan Modder** (ZIP code: 53212)

The community must have a say regarding building developments in their neighborhood. I urge the commission to deny any proposal for developers that reduces the oversight of development and lessens public input about development projects. We are a COMMUNITY and the COMMON GOOD comes first!

**110. Helen Sylvester** (*ZIP code: 53209*)

**111. Eddy Magnus** (*ZIP code: 53072*)

**112. Sandra Gaillard** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

Power belongs with the people!

**113. Shannon Garcia Martinez** (*ZIP code: 53202*)

**114. Nakyra Ware** (*ZIP code: 53042*)

**115. Joan Dadian** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

**116. Rita Buboltz** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

**117. Cameren Prescott** (*ZIP code: 53051*)

**118. Paulino Garcia Martinez** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

**119. Azure De Williams** (*ZIP code: 53209*)

**120. Juliesa Deleon** (*ZIP code: 53205*)

To: The City Planning Commission of Milwaukee

From: Juliesa Deleon

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**121. Hassiem Babatu** (*ZIP code: 53210*)

**122. Monica Yorot** (*ZIP code: 53206*)

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From: Monica Yorot

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**123. Dorothy Petranech** (*ZIP code: 53216*)

It shouldn't be allowed. No new construction without community notification.

**124. Alexander Minik** (*ZIP code: 53219*)

Stop making decisions on behalf of people without them having informed consent.

**125. Sarah Desch** (*ZIP code: 53208*)

**126. Liat Mayer** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

**127. Brandetta Taylor** (*ZIP code: 53206*)

I do not support these new zoning changes. They're being pushed through without enough transparency, without proper community input, and without considering how they could hurt the people who actually live here.

These changes open the door to unchecked development and could lead to displacement, rising costs, and the loss of the character and stability of our neighborhoods. Decisions that will affect our city for generations should never be made without the voices of the people. We deserve a fair, informed process that puts residents first not developers or outside interests.

**128. Danell Cross** (*ZIP code: 43210*)

The RT5 needs to be amended to include Mandatory community meetings hosted by Aldermen and

women in community must produce sign in sheets and send out mailers with proposed project and meeting invites

**129. dean gillis** (*ZIP code: 53218*)

**130. Luci Klebar** (*ZIP code: 53211*)

It is unlawful not to have community feedback for initiatives like this.

**131. Marion Autman** (*ZIP code: 53210*)

**132. Eileen Nyholt** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

I do not want developers to be able to build whatever they want without input by the citizens, taxpayers, voters and neighbors who could be impacted negatively. We demand to have a say.

**133. Victoria Shareef** (*ZIP code: 53210*)

**134. Monique Bateman** (*ZIP code: 53210*)

**135. Leonard Edwards Leonard Edwards** (*ZIP code: 20011*)

**136. Rhonda Gatlin-Hayes** (*ZIP code: 53212*)

Please do not move forward with resolution to eliminate resident inclusion in the City planning.

**137. Wallace Hayes** (*ZIP code: 53212*)