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Dear Vanessa: Regarding our phone conversation today re: Jackson Street 6 condo development
It seems that we as property owners, business owner, and tax payer, that there is not much of
any say regarding new development in our neighborhood.

You and other appointees decide for us. Yes there is public review. But that process, as we
have experienced in our last public meeting, is more, how should I put it, a "Rubber Stamp"
process.

So any developer, and any "designer" from anywhere can make a proposal
to the city of Milwaukee, to a small group of appointees, who in turn present to a larger
group, give heresay to a few disgruntled "inexperienced" property owners...afterall "you" are
the "experts" and know what's best for our neighborhood...MODERN...AS IN BORING.

BOSTON IN THE 60S FINALLY REALIZED WHAT THEY HAD BEEN DOING OF TEARING
EVERYTHING OLD DOWN AND PUTTING UP 60S BUILDINGS WAS DESTROYING THEIR
HERITAGE. IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO MILWAUKEE. BECAUSE WETHER YOU
REALIZE IT OR NOT, THAT IS WHAT YOU ARE DOING, AND SO ARE YOUR COHORTS.

But you know what? There is still time to change what seems already cast in concrete.
Voice your concerns about this whole process. Lets change the way Milwaukee
tears down its heritage and set up a better review process, before its too late.

I am surprised that this developer, who had worked for a prestigious development group, which adheres
to esthetics of design and neighborhood design integration, would violate our historical neighborhood
with such an out-of-place, ultra modern building. But of course, they will use "quality materials".