



July 8, 2024

City of Milwaukee – License Division
200 W. Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Re: Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Food Dealer License Applications for 3420-3424 W Wells St.

To whom it may concern:

Please accept this letter in opposition to the request for Class A Malt & Class A Liquor and Food Dealer License Applications for "Midtown II " at 3420 - 3424 W Wells St. Near West Side Partners has concerns about the establishment of a new liquor license at this location.

NWSP has been actively monitoring liquor-serving establishments in the Near West Side. While out in the community we noticed significant issues related to panhandling, loitering, and public drinking at this location.

On May 2, 2024, following an observation of a person using drugs outside the store, NWSP staff and the District 3 CPU team conducted a walk-through of the business. Mr. Singh was not present, his sons participated in the meeting.

As a follow-up, on June 5, 2024, Mr. Singh and his son met with NWSP Associate Director and NWSP Ambassadors Hassani, Derek, and Elliot. Among the items discussed and agreed to by ownership were posting additional "No Loitering" signage, working with A.D.A. Kelly O'Neill & MPD3 to address chronic loitering, and installing security cameras on the exterior of the building. Since that meeting, some improvements have been made to the building but the loitering, public drinking, and littering remain issues. Photo evidence is attached for reference.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and consideration of NWSP's objections to this license.

Sincerely,

Lindsey St Arnold Bell

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Executive Director
Near West Side Partners, Inc.

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