Lee, Chris

From: Bauman, Robert

Sent: Monday, July 7, 2025 9:12 AM

To: Cade Thomas Cc: Lee, Chris

Subject: Re: Support for Files #220402 and #241880

Will add to file

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On Jul 7, 2025, at 8:35 AM, Cade Thomas <cade.gerlach@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Alderman Bauman,

I would like this to be included in the file.

I 100% support the Cudahy Farms Affordable Housing Project.

It is my firm belief that the city should strive to build a community in which people of all races, religions, ethnicities, and incomes can live and work together. And if asked, I believe a majority of the city's residents would say the same. A commitment to affordable housing is paramount to achieving that goal.

Milwaukee currently suffers a number of housing crises. We have a housing shortage which is leading to higher rents and higher home prices leaving Milwaukeans rent burdened or less able to purchase a home. We also suffer another crisis in which many of our city's poorest citizens live in old, substandard, and poorly maintained homes. In these homes, the threat of lead paint and other unseen hazards haunt Milwaukee's young like a shadowy apparition, stealing their futures and depriving them of good health.

This project represents a fantastic opportunity to help emolliate these crises by providing new additional housing. New housing stock does not have the threat of lead paint or many of the hazards present in old homes. It is a mixed use, mixed income, and mixed age development with incredible amenities. Additionally, a variety of different types of housing stock with opportunities for ownership and over 200 affordable units are planned. Also, it will expand the tax base. If we believe what we say about our values, then we must seize every opportunity to advance them. And this is a great opportunity. I won't pretend that this project alone will solve our issues, but it is part of the solution.

Much thanks, Cade Gerlach