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To Whom It May Concern,
What are you thinking!

Man does not live by or find happiness through economic development! We all need visual aesthetics, a preservation of our heritage, and control over our environment.

The Downer area is one of the places where I take out of town friends. It is one of the places that dispels the notion that Milwaukee is a hick town. I take pride in that small corner of the world...it is truly cool.

The trend is to make more condos, parking lots, medical centers and Walgreens throughout Milwaukee, none of which is aesthetically pleasing. None of them does anything for one's soul. Making everything uniform and ugly is not what I want in my city. Also, what is going to happen to the people in that area is totally thoughtless and cruel.

This rushed and hush-hush deal on Downer is awful. Please end this Wal-mart mentality.

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