



Department of City Development
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Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation

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Deputy Commissioner

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To the Honorable Members of the
Zoning, Neighborhoods, and Development Committee
City of Milwaukee
City Hall, Room 301-B

Dear Committee Members:


File number 220878 relates to the change in zoning from Industrial Light, IL1, to a Detailed Planned Development, DPD, known as Wisconsin DOC Juvenile Correctional Facility to allow the development of a juvenile correctional facility located at 7930 West Clinton Avenue, on the north side of West Good Hope Road, west of North 76th Street, in the 9th Aldermanic District.

The proposed project is part of the statewide plan approved by the State of Wisconsin Legislature to build state-of-the-art, smaller regional facilities to replace the existing Lincoln Hills School/Copper Lake School in Irma, WI. The current IL1 zoning does not allow a correctional facility use, and the DPD zoning will approve the use as well as the site plan and elements, and building design. The proposed Clinton Avenue project consists of a single-story building with a mechanical penthouse above, and includes 32 bedrooms and spaces for education, career/vocational instruction, programming, indoor recreation, visitation, health services and food service. Site elements include secure outdoor recreation space, a perimeter patrol and emergency vehicle access road around the recreation yards and adjacent sides of the building, a surface parking lot with approximately 100 stalls, and a truck staging area for deliveries and youth transport vehicles.

The City Plan Commission held a public hearing for this item at a special meeting on December 12, 2022. Representatives from the Wisconsin Dept. of Corrections, and the Dept. of Administration appeared to provide background information on this proposal. The architect for the project gave a presentation on the site and building design. State Senator Lena Taylor represents the area and also testified on the legislative background for this initiative and in support of constructing the facility at this location. Several members of the public provided testimony both in support and opposition to the project. After a lengthy public hearing, the City Plan Commission voted to recommend conditional approval of the subject file with the following conditions:

1. State DOC to commit to periodic meetings with representatives of Granville Advisory Committee to discuss the facility.
2. Updating the zoning exhibits to limit occupancy within the facility to 32 juvenile residents.

Sincerely,

 for Lafayette L. Crump
Executive Secretary
City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

