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I am writing in reference to -City of Milwaukee:File #-060705 and 060575...I am a resident of Shorewood and I spend a considerable amount of time shopping, going to movies, frequenting restaurants on Downer Av. I grew up in Shorewood and as a child, spent many of my days on Downer Av. It's charm and historical value has no measure. It's part of my history , many, many other histories and as such, should be preserved and cared for.

Money seems to be the issue and I think more than that, greed. Eleven story condos have no place in that community. Any future building or beautification needs to be consistant with the charm and pleasure that area has given so many over the years.

I remember when my uncle's father started S.J. Casper company near the Downer Theater. I remember the Ben Franklin store and Cilentos photography. I remember Buddy Beeks, where my parents were photographed after World War 11 with friends. I remember The Tuxedo, where we all stopped for burgers after a dance.

We destroyed the Milwaukee Train Depot, an ill-thought out plan and people are still sad about that.

Condos in this city are overbuilt, industrial looking and just plain ugly. Let's not make any more mistakes with our beautiful city and like Midwest Airlines, let's leave the best of the city alone!

Sincerely,

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