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Alderman James Bohl
City Hall, Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202-3570

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Dear Alderman Bohl,

Thank you for arranging the meeting with Bruce Block, Vanessa Koster, Jeffrey Norman and me to discuss the rezoning proposal for parcels of land in the Milwaukee Metro Center.

After hearing from neighbors and residents and giving the matter serious consideration, the board of Granville Heritage Neighborhood Association has decided not to oppose the rezoning proposal. We do, however, continue to have some reservations about the changes due to quality of life issues and expectations of what the land was to be used for based on the zoning when many residents initially purchased their lots.

We have several recommendations that we request to have included in the proposed amendment to the General Plan of Milwaukee Metro Center as follows:

1. Permitted Uses, page 3: Please strike "(vii) Tavern".
2. Screening (a) Area B West Parcel, page 4: Please include screening to separate the lot from the property of West Granville Presbyterian Church such as, "Additional screening consisting of trees and shrubs acceptable to the adjoining neighbor, shall be installed and maintained along the Eastern border of Area B, between the abutting properties of the lot and property belonging to West Granville Presbyterian Church".
3. Open Spaces, page 4: Please include language to eliminate ambiguity about standards for landscape maintenance, such as "All landscaping will be continuously maintained in a manner consistent and compatible with the landscaping of homes in the surrounding neighborhoods."
4. Please include language to prevent noise from auto repair or other activities that could be a nuisance to the neighbors.

Overall, we want any business that develops the undeveloped lots to build and operate in a manner that is least harmful to the environment and least disruptive to the residents.

Again, thank you for your time and interest in resolving the concerns of residents about the zoning change proposal. Please contact me if you have any questions or additional information to share.

Sincerely,

Helen J. Harris
President
Granville Heritage Neighborhood Association

cc: Bruce Block