

Dear Committee and Alders,

My name is Elizabeth Ramirez, I live in the 8th district, and work in the 12th district on the city's southside and I oppose the proposed RT5 and ADU ordinances for the following reasons

Lack of Community Engagement specifically for our southside community and Spanish speakers and all those who are not familiar with the city website and public comment submission process as well as every neighborhood that is underserved and acknowledged during these decision making processes.

A comprehensive study should be conducted to assess the financial feasibility of ADUs, protections against displacement, and how RT5 zoning will impact affordability and local ownership.

We have seen complexes built on the corner of Muskego Ave and Mitchell and longtime homeowners have expressed their concerns about the issues that come when density in housing is admitted in areas that are historically single family and duplexes. We want more housing options of this kind as we wish to purchase more single family and duplex homes, not be renters in developments that are owned by people who don't live in our neighborhood.

Milwaukee must take into consideration the homeowners and renters that already live in conditions that are less than favorable and struggle to find relief as the property owners hide under LLC's and only collect rent but don't consider much needed repairs. We need accountability from these type of developers and property managers as well as liveable homes built with quality materials.

We call for neighborhood-specific zoning updates that acknowledge the unique needs of each area and focus on repairing past harm before implementing broad changes.

Any zoning changes must come with firm protections for current residents, ensuring affordability and local ownership and we ask that the city and our alders give more notice via mail or other forms of communication so that these decisions and meeting can be made known to the public that is not familiar with the public comment and admissible formats.

Sincerely,

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