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Good morning,

As a long time resident of Bayview, I would like to voice my concerns with the new buildings being proposed on the 2300 block of S. Austin.

While I appreciate the effort to provide affordable housing, I oppose another lackluster box being built in this neighborhood.

The charm we love about Bayview is being erased and replaced with faceless architecture that already looks dated. Not to mention, multiple large apartment buildings have sprung up all along Kinnickinnic and Becher that have struggled to fill to capacity.

Almost every new project has become an eyesore over the last 20 years. From the bus stop that looks like it should be in Las Vegas to the white and lime green Dwell building.

Why can't we have projects that fit in and honor the style of Bayview, like Colectivo or the former funeral home turned into housing on Kinnickinnic? People are clamoring to buy houses here - why not build two new homes? Meanwhile, the new apartments along 1st should be required to provide a portion of affordable apartments, which could help resolve that issue.

I can't stand the constant cropping up of bland, soon-to-be dated box apartments around here.

Not to mention, the increasing lack of parking.

Let's be creative and do better please.

Regards,
Tahani Wilkey