

Support Dover School project

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Alderman Zielinski and Zoning and Development Committee members:

I am unable to attend your April 21 committee meeting, but would request that my support of the Dover School project be made part of the record.

My wife and I have been Bay View residents since 1996, and have watched the neighborhood grow, flourish, and change in a positive direction.

The Dover School project seems like another obvious step in the right direction, bringing teachers and other young professionals to the neighborhood and making the best use of a vacant property that could eventually become a liability.

There are always concerns from neighbors when housing density increases, but from what I have read it appears that the developers have taken reasonable steps to allay concerns about parking and other issues.

This seems like a win-win for Bay View and the teachers this project is targeted to serve. The city, Milwaukee Public Schools and Greater Milwaukee Committee all support it, and so do we.

Let me close with a special appeal to my alderman, Tony Zielinski, who has played a key role in Bay View development in recent years, and who no doubt will have the ear of committee members. Please take into account the support of the broader Bay View community, not just the fears of the nearby neighbors. If you feel you cannot vote for it, please don't use your position as the alderman of the affected district to block it.

This is an opportunity that is unlikely to come again. I hope the committee and Common Council will see that and act to support the proposal.

Thank you for your consideration.

With warm regards,

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