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Hello!

I'm writing to support adoption of the DCD's Housing Element plan.

In the year between the initial publishing of the version known as Growing Mke and the improvements resulting in the Housing Element version, Milwaukee has shown great collaborative power among its many stakeholders. I am tremendously moved and inspired by the commitment shown by DCD's staff and community leaders -- both individual and organizational.

Personally, I was part of a group of UWM graduate students studying the original plan; we benefited tremendously from the time that representatives of all of the above groups shared. I myself don't have an urban planning background; community engagement is my field. I have been very excited to see how Milwaukee's DCD is raising the standard for engagement, and I believe we have the potential to create a new national standard.

I would like to second the entirety of the letter published by Metcalfe Park Community Bridges, for their sensible and actionable proposals for further improvements. I encourage ongoing relational work of this type; we will all succeed by exploring these areas of tension in a spirit of collaboration and appreciation for the city we all love.

Thanks for your time and attention!

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