



Department of City Development
City Plan Commission
Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee
Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation

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To the Honorable Members of the
Community and Economic Development Committee
City of Milwaukee
City Hall, Room 205

Dear Committee Members:

File No. 200132 relates to a substitute resolution approving annexation of territory to Business Improvement District No. 19 (Villard Avenue), in the 1st Aldermanic District.

On August 17, 2020, the City Plan Commission held a virtual public hearing regarding a petition to the City of Milwaukee to expand the boundary for the existing Business Improvement District (BID) No. 19 (Villard Avenue). The annexation territory is to the North and South of the BID's existing boundary line and is generally bounded by North 24th Street and North 27th Street on the East, West Hampton Avenue and West Cornell Street on the South and West Hampton Avenue and West Carmen Avenue on the West.

Section 66.1109 of the State statutes allows businesses within such a district to develop, manage and promote the district, and to establish an assessment method to fund these activities.

Prior to the meeting, staff received two letters regarding the subject file, one of which was in support and one that noted they understood that this expansion was a positive for Villard Avenue, but they were unable to participate financially. During the virtual public hearing, representatives from the BID spoke in favor of the annexation, explaining their history, mission, function, and public outreach. One property owner spoke in favor of the expansion and applauded the work of the BID. Another property owner stated no position on the file but asked questions of the BID executives about the process of expansion and assessment. 1st District Ald. Ashanti Hamilton spoke as well, and expressed his support for the file. After closing of the public meeting, the City Plan Commission voted to approve the annexation of territory to BID No. 19.

Sincerely,

for

Lafayette L. Crump
Executive Secretary
City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

cc: Ald. Hamilton

