



Chair Stephanie Bloomingdale
City of Milwaukee – Planning Commission
809 N Broadway
Milwaukee, WI 53206

Dear Chair Bloomingdale and Members of the Planning Commission,

Subject: Request for Delay in the Adoption of the Grow MKE Plan

On behalf of the Milwaukee Community Land Trust, I am writing to express our concerns regarding the proposed Grow MKE plan. We acknowledge and appreciate the efforts of the City of Milwaukee Planning Commission to enhance the city's growth and development. However, we have significant concerns about the potential adverse impacts on the very communities the plan aims to improve.

This decision stems from the feedback from residents across various neighborhoods, particularly those with less formal communication networks and those who are underrepresented in mainstream decision-making venues.

The Milwaukee Community Land Trust believes it is crucial to ensure that all voices are heard and considered before moving forward with such a comprehensive plan. To this end, we propose conducting a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) analysis to thoroughly evaluate the potential impacts of the Grow MKE plan. This analysis will provide valuable insights and help mitigate any negative consequences that might disproportionately affect vulnerable communities.

We respectfully request that the Planning Commission delay the adoption of the Grow MKE plan until this SWOT analysis is completed and shared with the community. This approach will allow for a more inclusive and equitable planning process, ensuring that the plan's benefits are distributed fairly across all communities in Milwaukee.

We are eager to collaborate with the Planning Commission and other stakeholders to ensure a thorough and transparent analysis. Our goal is to contribute to a plan that reflects the needs and aspirations of all Milwaukee residents.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your favorable response and the opportunity to work together towards a more inclusive and equitable Grow MKE plan.

Sincerely,

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cc: Milwaukee Community Land Trust Board

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