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Subject: 634 E. Keefe Student Housing

My comments: from John Andrucci.

As many of you know and for those of you who don't know I am vehemently against the proposed"student" housing.

I have lived on the south west corner of Fratney and Keefe for over 30 years and the site is virtually in my back yard. As for voicing my opinion I have written e-mails to every common council member, asking them NOT to change the zoning. I have written a letter to Trinitas and expressed my opposition and given them the location of a much better place for this housing project. I have not gotten any response from anyone. The site that I have suggested is at 4132 N. Holton St. Check it out. It is one block north of Holton and Capitol that has everything a college student would want. The property at 634 E. Keefe is zoned for industrial/manufacturing use and should stay that way. The city could find ways of attracting business to fill the industrial park rather than unnecessary housing. \* UWM's vice chancellor of university relations and communications has stated clearly, very recently, that there is already a current \*surplus\* of existing apartments available on/near UWM campus. "'At this point, we really do not see the need for additional housing. We understand the Trinitas folks have said they are going to meet a need for additional student housing, but that need does not exist.' [...] UWM studies show vacancies in the two ZIP codes are up around the main east side campus, and landlords are cutting rent to compete, Luljak said." Source - The Business Journal, December 2, 2011: http://bit.ly/AaZ2JQ

Lets remember that UWM does *NOT* have any vested interest in this project. It is being proposed by a PRIVATE developer.

Think about the impact this will have on the neighbors who live with in a block or two of the site. And think about the folks like my wife and I who are both disabled senior citizens. If this is built and doesn't work out we can't just up and move. We'll be stuck with it. Thank you, John Andrucci