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Dear Commissioners,

I write to you in regards to the proposed hi-rise development at 1550 N. Prospect Ave and it's negative impact on the Goll mansion. As members of the Milwaukee's Historical Preservation Commission, you should be able to convince the appropriate authorities that DCH Properties need to redesign their proposal to a reasonable, appropriate, and respectable structure befitting the footprint, the neighbors and neighborhood. I suggest they focus simply on refurbishing the Goll mansion.

Various developer websites display images of the proposed structure. It is obvious and evident that this behemoth is obtrusive and not at all fitting for this site. Details about attempting to use every inch of space (extremely close to neighboring lot lines) in order to make this work destroys all aspects of ambiance and grandeur. What a nightmare.

Plans are to move the Goll mansion not once but twice in order to place the front of it adjacent to the sidewalk. The renditions I've seen of the two buildings (mansion and the high rise) together proves to me that this project would be dysfunctional and untenable. The postage stamp sized lot cannot hold the existing Goll and and a 26 story 202 unit apartment mammoth. Let's not forget their plans for a roof-top swimming pool, 4 levels of above ground parking, 2,000 square feet of commercial space, not to mention outside parking (5 spots) and no turn-around space. It doesn't fit.

The Goll mansion built in 1898 needs to be handled with care and needs work - substantial work in order to bring it to its full stately glory. That, in and of itself is a significant challenge. Then, to add this proposed structure - No. The character of the Goll mansion and the land that it rests on would be destroyed.

DCH Properties should not be afforded the permission to follow through with such an obnoxious plan. It won't work!

Thank you for your support.

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