

July 15, 2016

The Honorable Ashanti Hamilton, President Milwaukee Common Council City Hall 200 West Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

## Dear President Hamilton:

I am writing to strongly support the reappointment of Rocky Marcoux as Commissioner of the Department of City Development by the Milwaukee Common Council. I have had the opportunity to work with Commissioner Marcoux in both my role as President of WISPARK LLC and as a member of groups such as WAM DC and Milwaukee Development Corporation. It is my experience that Commissioner Marcoux has always conducted himself in a professional manner and places the interests of the City and community foremost in his mind as he pursues real estate projects throughout Milwaukee.

We are experiencing a tremendous surge in development in downtown Milwaukee. This will lead to increased development opportunities in other areas of the community. To change Commissioners at this critical point in the current, maturing real estate development cycle could be to the detriment of ongoing projects and those that are working through the entitlement process.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jerold P. Franke

President

cc: The Honorable Mayor Tom Barrett

The Honorable James Bohl, Jr. Chair, ZND Committee

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