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Common Council Members.

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed development at 1550 N. Prospect.

When we were looking to relocate from the suburbs to downtown Milwaukee, we chose Prospect Ave, for it's tree lined streets, old-world charm, and accessibility to the Oak Leaf Trail, pharmacies and groceries. Development in the industrial chic of the Third Ward, or the young vibe of Water Street may appeal to others, but Prospect Ave feels like a neighborhood to us. The Planning Commission approved the current proposal for 1550, citing Density.for Prospect Ave as their goal. I would like to point out that there are already many apt buildings along Prospect, most of which have "For Lease" signs out front. Many have difficulty filling vacancies due to the parking issue on Prospect. We do not need a new 27 story apt building, which would fully encompass the property it sits on, tower over the historic Goll Manion, and furthur add to the traffic congestion and parking problems!

Although revisions were made to this current proposal, it continues to be squeezed into property lines, encroaching on the Oak Leaf Trail on the east. Mr. Houden points out that his building is in fact 10 ft less than the eastern edge of 1522, but I would like to point out that all the buildings which extend over the bluff have only their parking structures and terraces on the eastern edge. When walking the Oak Leaf trail, I cannot even see the back side of the 1522 garage unless looking for it - vegetation and trees are my view. If this plan is approved as proposed, the building itself will loom over the trail - the proposed art is no substitute for the serenity and park-like setting we bike or walk on.

Please say no to this development under current plan. Ellen Driscoll