

Support for Case Number 22-11

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing in support of the development (PUD) proposal at 807 Maine Ave SW. I live 2 blocks from the property and believe the proposal will add to the character of the neighborhood by infilling the prominent corner at 7th and Maine Ave with a vibrant mixed-use program of both residential and retail.

The proposed development exhibits thoughtful designs that fit with and adds to the fabric of the neighborhood, and the many proffers offered by the developer (increased affordable housing, a donation to the Jefferson Middle School, public art, and public plaza improvements, to name a few.

As a small business owner and resident of SW for 10 years, I strongly believe that the SW neighborhood should be welcoming new residents and neighbors, not closing its doors in favor of the status quo. I believe those who are claiming that the proposed development is too tall are off base, as there are many existing buildings in the neighborhood of similar or taller height. I hope the Zoning Commission can consider smart growth in specific neighborhoods and votes in favor of this application.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ian Callender

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