

**From:** [Wade, Michael \(CI-StPaul\)](#)  
**To:** [\\*CI-StPaul>Contact-Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Langer, Samantha \(CI-StPaul\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Additional letter of support for File# 21-309-362, 83 Douglas Rezoning  
**Date:** Monday, January 10, 2022 9:13:32 AM

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Thanks for passing this on, Sam. I'm forwarding it to the City Council public comment address.

**Michael Wade**

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**From:** Charles Stephens <chasx00@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 9, 2022 4:47 PM  
**To:** Langer, Samantha (CI-StPaul) <samantha.langer@ci.stpaul.mn.us>  
**Subject:** Additional letter of support for File# 21-309-362, 83 Douglas Rezoning

Hi Samantha,

Looking at the City Council's agenda for January 12, I noted one letter of support not listed in the documents for our hearing, #24 on the list for that day. Maybe it got there but did not make the list. In any case, here is that letter from Bob Frame. I can have him resend it, if needed.

Thank you,

Charles

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Bob Frame" <[rframe@alumni.ksg.harvard.edu](mailto:rframe@alumni.ksg.harvard.edu)>  
**Subject:** File# 21-309-362, 83 Douglas Rezoning  
**Date:** January 2, 2022 at 7:26:24 PM CST  
**To:** <[Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us)>, <[ward2@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:ward2@ci.stpaul.mn.us)>  
**Cc:** "Emily Ganzel" <[efg5317@yahoo.com](mailto:efg5317@yahoo.com)>  
**Reply-To:** <[rframe@alumni.ksg.harvard.edu](mailto:rframe@alumni.ksg.harvard.edu)>

TO: Office of the City Council                      DATE: January 2, 2022  
310 City Hall  
15 Kellogg Blvd West  
St Paul MN 55102

CC: Councilmember Rebecca Noecker

FROM: Bob Frame & Emily Ganzel  
178 Goodrich Avenue  
St. Paul MN 55102

SUBJECT: File# 21-309-362, 83 Douglas Rezoning

We are writing in support of the proposed rezoning of 83 Douglas Street from R4 single-family to RT2 multi-family residential. We are the next-door neighbors of the property's owners, Dr. Charles Stephens and Dr. Laurel Gamm.

Bob Frame has lived in the West Seventh neighborhood for 40 years, at 178 Goodrich Avenue for 31 years, and we have been their neighbors as long as they have lived in the West Seventh neighborhood. Both Bob Frame and Emily Ganzel work in historic preservation and value the importance of preserving the maintaining the character of the West Seventh neighborhood.

Knowing Charles and Laurel as we do, we understand and support their admirable goal and generous motive in wanting to improve 83 Douglas Street, a vacant lot for 30 years, and make the West Seventh neighborhood a welcoming and supportive home for several of America's veterans. We support their effort to involve the Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV). Bob Frame is himself a U.S. Army veteran from the Vietnam era.

Charles and Laurel not only live in this neighborhood, a few blocks from 83 Douglas, but they also live and work in ways that support their goal for improving this property. Charles is a physician at the Minneapolis VA Medical Center, where he cares for the health and well-being of veterans every day. Laurel is also a physician and for eight years she navigated the streets and skyways of Saint Paul conducting medical outreach for the homeless, working for Minnesota Community Care, Healthcare for the Homeless. Being semi-retired, but still a licensed MD, Laurel is developing the Beautiful Laundrette on the West Side, making it into a prospering, community-focused business for the neighborhood and a future self-supporting opportunity for local neighborhood ownership – a goal not unlike their hopes for 83 Douglas.

Knowing that Charles and Laurel are dedicated, community-minded residents, we believe that they will do their utmost to make 83 Douglas a solid, positive, asset to the neighborhood and to the City.

//Signed// Bob Frame & Emily Ganzel