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Sanders, Donna (CI-StPaul)

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Sent: Monday, May 16, 2016 10:54 AM
To: #CI-StPaul_Ward5
Subject: PH RES 16-147

Hi Amy,

If you have any questions after reading the memo I sent, please let me know.

I ask that you vote "NO" on the resolution.

Or, if you want to allow more time for public input, tabling it would also be an option. Its important to note, however, that according to the DNR the administrative law judge is taking comments until sometime in July.

Because of the timing, I am concerned that the various topics that the public should have a chance to weigh in on (building heights, setbacks from bluff and water, vegetation management, scenic views, areas of historical and cultural significance, etc.) will not have the consideration they deserve before the comment period is closed.

With summer coming up, engaging folks quickly on a topic that the DNR has been working on for years, is not the best approach.

St. Paul will need to review its ordinances to bring them into compliance (or set our own standards, as long as they are more protective than the DNR rules) but will have a year to do so. That seems like a more reasonable time frame for these discussions to take place.

For these reasons, I am asking for your "NO" vote.

Sincerely,

Shirley

US Senator
Dave Durenburger