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Councilman Stark:

I reside at 295 Pelham Blvd. I have reviewed the community organization opposition to the development plans for 650 Pelham. While I am a member of the DPIA and am very supportive of it and the Union Park Community Council, I differ on one criticism which the organizations have made of the proposal. I OPPOSE the organizations' demand that the building "be located up to Pelham and Wabash". This would cause a major sight distance restriction for westbound vehicular traffic entering Pelham from Wabash similar to the hazardous situation which exists at present for eastbound vehicular traffic entering Pelham from Wabash caused by the Storck Engineering building, which has no setback at the corner. A driver entering Pelham from Wabash at that location cannot see southbound Pelham traffic because of the Storck building and enters Pelham essentially blind. That is bad traffic engineering and should not be replicated at the new building. Whatever is done relating to parking at the building, there should be a sufficient setback so that drivers will have reasonable sight distance to opposing traffic.

Jerome Getz

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Russ and Melvin,

My wife and I are residents of Union Park District residing in Desnoyer Park: 589
Cromwell Ave, 55104

We want to make known our concern over the Port Authorities current plans for the 650
Pelham site and we want to voice our support for the UPDC's appeal of the site plan.

Thank you in advance for doing your part to ensure The Union Park area remains a great
place to live.

Sincerely,

Daniel and Kelly Eaton

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Council member Stark,

This email is to notify you that I support the appeal for the design of 650 pelham. As a resident of Desnoyer Park and an affiliate of Desnoyer Park Improvement Association I feel as though it is necessary to take time out of a busy day to compose a letter to you regarding the questionable zoning and design of the building proposed for this location. As a proponent of mass transit and biking and walking I am a little confused by your support of this project. The design of this development does not fit into the character of a high density urban transition between residential and industrial property. Nor does it fit into any of the guidelines I have seen in regards to development in and around light rail stations with even miniscule allowances made for future foot or bike traffic. This sort of development is lowest common denominator all the way. It has no soul. It has no purpose. This sort of project does not create jobs it only shifts them around.

This sort of design to the letter of the code and nothing more belongs in the suburbs not a major transit route. There has been a lot of positive development in this area with the refurbishment of several buildings in anticipation of the traffic and access that light rail will bring.

I don't want to overstate myself but this sort of development would destroy whatever sense of character this little corner of st paul is building. I encourage you to go over there and take one last walk about. Look at what the other people have been doing with refurbishing the old buildings, and demand a more appropriate design for this plot. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Jeff Chermak

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I support the Union Park Appeal of the 650 Pelham site plan. It is very important to preserve the character of our community.

George Richter
2016 Merriam Lane
55104

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Councilman Stark -- I support the Union Park Appeal of the 650 Pelham site plan because I am concerned about development in an area so close to Avalon School at 700 Glendale St. Please reconsider the development. Thank you! -- Kevin Ward

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Dear Council Member Stark:

My name is Toni Roe and I live at 554 Otis Avenue, Saint Paul. Although I have already signed a petition requesting you support the Union Park appeal of the 650 Pelham site I am writing this note in the hoping you will understand my strong support of this appeal. I have lived in my Desnoyer Park home for 17 years. This is a wonderful community. Please help us preserve it with your appeal.

Thanks you.

Toni Roe

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Council Member Stark,

Sometimes the best thing isn't the easiest.

Do the right thing and remember who you serve.

David Eggenberger
444 Otis Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55104

Mr. Stark,

We oppose any modifications to the master plan for 650 Pelham Blvd. Allowing changes that do not adhere to the transit oriented urban design at this stage of light rail development is short sighted. This property has so much more potential than what Mr. Alan and his development team have presented to date. We hope you hold true to your promise to support good urban transit oriented development. This project does not appear to do that. Why have a master plan if it is not to be followed? Almost weekly we read of great urban transit oriented projects coming on-line or planned for Minneapolis and St. Paul. The 650 Pelham plan is unfortunately unimaginative and a sorry use for a prime piece of real estate.

Thank you for your time and attention and support of the Saint Anthony Park community. We hope it continues.

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