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May 16, 2012

Dear Council President Lantry and Members of the City Council:

The Grand Avenue Business Association is writing in support of the ordinance amending the Saint Paul Legislative Code in regard to Saint Paul's Off-Street Parking Requirements for establishments serving wine, beer or liquor, with amendments to Chapters 63, 65 and 66 of the Zoning Code.

The Grand Avenue Business Association believes that the recommended amendments would allow restaurants to open and to operate on Grand Avenue with greater ease. The proposed amendments are logical and the explanation provided clearly defines how parking parameters will be maintained. Parking has consistently been a topic of interest for our organization. However, we see the proposed amendments as an example of the type of changes that the City of Saint Paul can make to create an environment where businesses feel welcome and can prosper. It is an adjustment that would help Grand Avenue continue to be a thriving and robust element of the City of Saint Paul.

We appreciate your consideration of the proposed amendments and ask that you support them. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sue Evens".

Sue Evens
Executive Director
Grand Avenue Business Association