

From: Connie Barry

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To: Tolbert, Chris (CI-StPaul)

Cc: Kantner, Libby (CI-StPaul); Kelley, Pattie (CI-StPaul); Art Kourajian; Sally Walsh; Patricia Brady; Laura Nichols; Alicia Uzarek

Subject: The Public Hearing on Wednesday

Importance: High

Chris,

The Friends of Shepard Davern, LLC wanted me to express our strong feeling that since you were elected to represent us as residents of Ward 3, we are looking for your support by supporting the appeal filed by the Friends of the Mississippi River and denying the Johnson Brothers Development 73.5' height variance granted by the Planning Commission. As our attorney, Peter Coyle of Larkin Hoffman, pointed out in his letter of May 13, 2015 that variance is inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan passed by the City Council just 4 months ago, and therefore inconsistent with Minnesota Law.

We are hoping you will lead the City Council to amend the height variance to 55 feet, the maximum allowed under the T3 Zoning passed 4 months ago. That is a 15' height variance from the current zoning for that property which is in the Mississippi River Critical Corridor Area with a height limit of 40'.

Thank you,

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