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Hi, my name is Betsy, Betsy Turner Turner and I live at 51 S Avon #21 and Saint Paul of course, 55105 and I live right on Avon and grant a block from what you're going to be discussing zoning. The file number is 24097753 and my phone number is 612-913-6515 and I'm very against against this rezoning of the Victoria Crossing East. Know you're turning Grand Avenue into a totally different atmosphere with these five story constructions and it's going to keep going and it'll totally just ruin everything. I mean, This is why the City Council in 2006 worked so hard to keep the height 3 stories. And now you're just, you know, I mean, I just hope. I hope you vote against this rezoning. I don't have high hopes. And by the way, a lot of people don't even bother to write in anymore. Residents who live, you know, near the Grand Avenue area because they're so tired of not being listened to. We worked so hard for against the rezoning at Avon and Grant when that got built and now it's just people have put their hearts into this and but then nothing gets listened to. It seems like you just listened to business, so I'm just totally, totally against this. And when will this stop is my question. When will you stop building these five stories? It'll keep going on and on every empty spot. Oh, let's build another one. OK, so it just ruins everything. It ruins the scale of the place. It ruins the historic nature. It will turn into another Uptown in Minneapolis. Just it just changes everything as far as the historic and in tourists. I mean, who wants to come to an area that's just a bunch of five story buildings? I mean know it's just ridiculous and the building at Saint Albans, there's one empty spot on the 1st floor that's not being rented So as far as saying, oh, it'll bring in more business for Grant, well, that's not true. They in that case, they just replaced those two, two of the restaurants and then they have that bakery now and now there's still another on the left side. There's totally empty space. So that's just added to the empty spots on grand instead of eliminating empty spots. So this whole idea of rezoning all these different areas along brand for business, that doesn't necessarily mean anything. It doesn't mean that people are going to move into those first floor areas of those five story buildings. Doesn't mean that and it adds to the traffic along grand. It's just my gosh, because the residents who will live up above it. It's just I just, I just so against it. So again, my name is Betsy Turner. And I'm sorry I can't be there tomorrow, but I can't. So thank you. I guess I've said everything. Thanks a lot. Bye. Bye.

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