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Saint Paul City Council
City Hall – Room 310
15 West Kellogg Avenue
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Re: Central Corridor and Traditional Neighborhood Zoning Study – Proposed Amendments

Dear Council President Lantry and Councilmembers,

At a meeting of the Land Use Committee of Union Park District Council 13 on April 19, 2011, the Committee passed the following motion regarding the Central Corridor and Traditional Neighborhood Zoning Study Proposed Amendments:

The Union Park District Council Land Use Committee opposes Amendment 3, which would maintain I1 zoning at 649 Pelham Boulevard, and is in favor of supporting T4 zoning for 649 Pelham Boulevard as previously recommended.

Pelham Boulevard is a transportation (pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular) corridor from the Desnoyer Park neighborhood over the Interstate 94 freeway to University Avenue for many of our residents. There are concerns that I1 zoning at 649 Pelham Boulevard will not provide adequate visioning for the future of this block as it develops as a multi-use transportation corridor. We support T4 zoning at 649 Pelham Boulevard because it is intended to foster the development and growth of compact, pedestrian-oriented urban areas; to encourage a compatible mix of commercial and residential uses within buildings, sites and blocks; new development in proximity to major transit streets and corridors; and additional choices in housing. Union Park District Council Land Use Committee requests that the Saint Paul City Council opposes I1 zoning at 649 Pelham Boulevard.

Thank you for your consideration during this process.

Sincerely,

Sarah Kidwell
Executive Director