September 26, 2015

Duluth City Councilors

RE: Morgan Park School Site Rezoning

Dear Councilors:

On Monday September 28th and October 12th you will be considering the proposed rezoning for the former Morgan Park School site to allow for redevelopment. This action is carrying out the recommended classifications contained in the Comprehensive Plan. The new zoning designation will allow for the site to be redeveloped by the new owner consistent with the UDC.

We have lived in Morgan Park for 43 years and have watched countless former residents move away from the neighborhood to find housing suitable for their elderly needs that were not available here, when they needed to move out of their single family structures. Most of them expressed the desire to stay here but very reluctantly moved away. This type of housing will be suitable for older residents as well as people of all ages. It will open up the moderately priced homes vacated by the older families and individuals.

Such new development will support local businesses as well attract new ones needed to serve the residents. It will be consistent with the River Corridor Initiative underway by the City in this area. We feel the amenities present in the neighborhood and nearby environment will be attractive to the type of persons being recruited to fill new jobs in the metropolitan area.

Needless-to-say we heartily endorse the rezoning as approved by the Planning Commission last week. Your positive vote on approval of this ordinance will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

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