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Zoning Committee
Department of Planning and Economic Development
City Hall Annex
425 W. 4th St. Suite 1400
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Re: File #20-031-121

The Como Community Council board voted unanimously May 19 to support the request to rezone the property at 978 Front Ave. from B2 to T2. Our conversations with the owners, Ted Benson and Janet Pope, suggest to us that they, their current and future tenants, and the neighborhood as a whole could benefit from the additional flexibility that the rezoning could provide – especially in work-live and other potential residential uses.

Front Ave., as an old streetcar line, already has many of the characteristics of a traditional neighborhood: tightly packed lots with minimal setbacks, an abundance of duplexes, and an intermingling of business and residential uses, to name the most obvious. We believe a T2 designation would be perfectly appropriate in this location, and urge Zoning Committee members to recommend the rezoning.

Sincerely,

Michael Kuchta
Executive Director