

Public comment for Allwardt St. Comp Plan Amendment and Rezoning – Common Council meeting 7-16-24:

Public comment from Mike Hoppenrath, Carol Hoppenrath, Tom Helgestad, Tom Schultz, Donald Donovan, Will Runke, Kristina Runke, Robert Stangler, Jill Schloesser (also commented via email), Matt Zastrow, Jeremy Walker, and Heidi Zipfel. Email comment from Marion Zimmerman, Isa Almonte, Emily Hayhurst, Charlotte Cedarholm, and Emma Anderson. Letter with 16 signatures, being from some who also spoke at the public hearing, opposing both the amendment and rezone was received from Mike Hoppenrath.

Reasonings for opposing both the comprehensive plan amendment and rezone include density concerns, buffering, TIF use, lot size, multi-family homes being too large and would look out of place, property value decrease, infrastructure concerns, water/flooding concerns, safety concerns – no sidewalks in this area, rent increase concerns, and comment of multi-family housing being more appropriate for a different location and single-family homes being more desirable in this area.

Cory Krieser spoke as one of the applicants for the Allwardt St. project. He touched on density being about 25% less than what the zoning request would allow and the TIF having no upfront cost to the city - risk being on the developer. He feels changing the use of the land would be appropriate because of similar multi-family homes/zoning that are directly North and South of the property and that it will provide additional housing options to the city.