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**Grand avenue Commercial corridor details and ordinance**

**This Item should be tabled until the work attached is completed.**

- 1- The length on the start and end of this commercial mixed-use corridor should be extended to include all the way from State Street to Grand Avenue bridge.
- 2- Proposal does not encourages continuation, & extension of commercial, business, retail and entertainment, which parts of Grand Avenue is known for .
- 3- The ordinance doesn't include, criteria, methods, means, standards, site design guideline which promotes, encourages and mandates pedestrian/street level commercial, retails, entertainments and public spaces.
- 4- The proposed standards for heights, volume and setbacks, in different sections of the corridor should reflect the existing viable neighboring standards and conditions.
- 5- Their should be detail evaluation of the existing surrounding neighborhoods in different section, to determine the existing viable and potential uses.
- 6- City should facilitate for comprehensive neighborhood and community input, coordination and participation, before completing the Grand Avenue commercial corridor plan and submitting for approval.

**At the present time the existing Grand Avenue proposal(as presented) is missing most of the above requirements, standards, and details and is premature for approval and should be tabled until the above is satisfied.**

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