From: Casey Charles
To: Grp. City Council and City Web Site
Subject: Rezoning the Missoulian Building
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Dear Council,

I would like to go on record to express my complete opposition to the rezoning of the Missoulian Building property for the following reasons:

1) density and sustainability. The area south of Higgins has its own cultural and social environment that a a nine story building (125 feet high) would ruin. As you know, the Berquist Condos were approved in spite of overwhelming opposition during a public meeting when few if any of the participants were able to be heard.

2) height restriction: the planning commission is rubber stamping a developer's proposal (what developer?) without knowledge of the commercial/residential apportionment, without answers to parking questions, without considering the Hip Strip neighborhood, its social charm and relaxed atmosphere that makes Missoula the attractive small town it is. To ruin that social setting in the name of economic development is short-sighted and ultimately economically unsound to the degree the development will will ruin the neighborhood that now makes it attractive.
The current rezoning variance allows a building on the river of only 25 feet lower than the Millennium Building. This will impact the Kim Williams trail, the beauty of the Clark Fork, the very reasons we have come to live in this town.

Please respect our zoning laws, please have the political courage to restrict this development.

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