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City of Madison Plan Commission 215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Madison, WI 53701-2985

RE: Letter for Intent – Madison Fire Station #13

To Whom It May Concern:

As a requirement of Plan Commission approval, the following is the Letter of the Intent for the aforementioned project.

The City of Madison intends to construct a new Fire Station (titled Number 13) on a 1.4 acre site on Madison's east side in Aldermanic District 3. The building is part of the Metrotech General Development Plan and the site lies in a Commercial Office/Municipal Fire Station zone. The current design for the station has a 12,655 gsf footprint with a 2,037 gsf penthouse. The sustainable goal for the building is to achieve LEED silver accreditation. Zimmerman Architectural Studios, Harwood Engineering Consultants and Sustainable Engineering Group have been hired to design and commission the building.

The function of the building is to provide fire services to the east side of Madison. The building on the site is aligned to allow for apparatus to enter on the west side of Town Center Drive, wrap around and enter the north end of the apparatus bay, and exit at the south end of the apparatus bay back onto Town Center Drive. There are eleven parking stalls provided for staff and an additional accessible stall on the site. Public will be directed to park on Town Center Drive. The "front" of the building is considered to be the south side, which faces the growing neighborhood in which it resides.

The building separates the apparatus bay on the east side from the living space and community room on the west side. The living area has 8 sleep spaces for fire department staff and EMT personnel. The community room will be sized to accommodate 38 occupants. The building materials are generally masonry in nature with cut stone base and concrete brick field. Doors and windows are to be anodized storefront aluminum with tinted glass; translucent glass is planned for above the south apparatus bay doors. Building trim materials are to predominantly be composite aluminum. Apparatus bay roof to be white TPO membrane and living space roof to be vegetative trays on membrane with standing seam aluminum mansard on three sides.