

April 13, 2009

Alderman Joseph A. Moore
7356 N. Greenview
Chicago, IL 60626

Dear Alderman Moore:

On February 19, 2009, the DevCorp North Planning and Development Committee heard a presentation regarding the proposed amendment to the Gateway Planned Development to allow the construction of a drive-through Burger King restaurant. The committee supports the amendment to the planned development with the following conditions:

1. Improve the south side façade through a combination of signage, landscaping and lighting as this is the likely approach for most Rogers Park-based customers;
2. Prohibit any pylon sign or any sign that hangs over the public way;
3. Construct the parapet wall to conceal any proposed rooftop equipment; and
4. Address concerns over the possible 24-hour operation of the dining area.

Our support is contingent upon the project being constructed as presented. This includes the physical improvements, building materials, litter management, operations, and the fact that the applicant is not proposing any additional changes to the existing Planned Development other than to allow a drive-through restaurant in Subarea B. We look forward to working with Burger King to maintaining and improving the Howard Street and Clark Street commercial corridors.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Bares
Executive Director

Cc: Katriina McGuire, Law Offices of Patrick J. McGuire, P.C.
Ed O'Rourke, Burger King