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The Honorable Manny Flores
Alderman, 1st Ward
2058 North Western Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60647

Dear Alderman Flores,

On Tuesday, January 29, 2008, the Chicago Grand Ave. Neighbors Association (CGNA), called a Planning & Development Committee/Community meeting to discuss the request for a Zoning change from an RT-3 to BM-3 for property address 1700 West Erie Street.

We met with the owner of this property and CGNA was not made aware until the day of the community meeting that the property was also for sale. If we had been made aware of this sooner we would have not entertained a community meeting. **It is against our Planning and Development Guidelines to approve any request for a Zoning change while a property is for sale.** The property owner offered no details of their proposal, further lending support to the notion that a zoning change is completely inappropriate for this property. With all do respect to you sir and your office, we listened to the owner and called for a vote. There was 100% opposition to any zoning change whatsoever for 1700 West Erie Street

When this property is sold, we welcome the new owners to attempt to seek a zoning change. However, they would have to present *full and detailed plans* for any changes before we even hold another committee/community meeting. Until then, we respectfully request that you maintain the current zoning for 1700 West Erie Street.

Sincerely,

David R. Ramos
President/Chairman
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