

A not for profit organization committed to the betterment of the area and its people through community education, involvement of community members and development of community spirit.

WANT's bounderies are the N side of Foster, to the S side of Bryn Mawr, W side of Clark Street to the E side of the railroad tracks along Ravenswood.

www.westandersonville.com • westandersonvilleneighbors2@gmail.com

Dear Alderman O'Connor,

On behalf of WANT, I wish to thank you for the opportunity to engage this community process regarding the future of the Trumbull School site at Foster and Ashland Avenues. WANT appointed a special task force to review the received proposals and make recommendations for your office to consider for the scope of the RFP. The task force also requested and received feedback via email from WANT area residents. The responses were broadly similar.

On Monday, September 22, WANT's general membership meeting voted to adopt the following recommendations of the task force for your consideration in the RFP process:

- 1. That reuse of the facility as a non-charter school best preserves its structures and limits the negative impact of quality of life for its neighbors;
- 2. That any reuse must include comprehensive studies of traffic and parking, as no plan that includes significantly increased traffic or street parking is preferable to WANT's membership;
- 3. That provision should be made, if possible, to prevent the division of the parcel after the initial sale. For example, WANT would oppose a buyer being able to divide the building and the parking lot and sell the lot to a different developer. WANT believes the redevelopment of the site should be done comprehensively, not piecemeal.

WANT's board and membership appreciate the opportunity to review and respond to the initial proposals, and hope that our West Andersonville community, most directly impacted by any redevelopment proposal, will continue to be in close consultation with your office as the process continues.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Michael D. Fick President West Andersonville Neighbors Together