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I sent this to council member Kiel and she recommended I include you as well.

Good morning. I'm emailing you to again express my opinion on the historic designation of the former south branch library.

This city is in dire need of every \$ of tax base it can get given how many properties are tax exempt and our inability to grow outward since our geography of bluffs and rivers dictates we use every inch of inner city space to grow.

We have a housing problem like many other cities and multiple dwelling units with affordable rents or ownership needs to be addressed.

I never was able to understand the need for a branch library this close to the main library in the 1st. Place, this property should have been generating tax dollars years and years ago!

The building was erected in 1952, hardly historic.

I know the neighbors are loving this historic designation, no one wants change and I'm sure there's fear of low income housing bringing in "undesireable" but these same people would be in favor of housing for them if only it could be somewhere else—the old "let George do it" situation.

I encourage you to support Mayor Reynolds challenge of this designation and do the right thing for this entire city-not a vocal few.

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