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La Crosse City Council members, please uphold the historic Landmark designation for the South Branch library property. I understand the Mayor is going to try and appeal it.

I totally disagree with him doing this. I live kitty corner from library at 1533 Farnam Street, La Crosse, WI, located at the corner of 16th and Farnam intersection.

The ECDC voted to sell the library site to Willow Grove LLC to become apartments and townhouses. I think this will increase traffic on this well traveled intersection, but not as badly as it would for the plan that Spies Construction placed. Property taxes will still be coming to the city budget from the Willow Grove completed project. There are plenty of other new places that will also add to the property tax payments yearly.

Currently there is a lot of traffic, poor street lights, some questionable property being rented. There is a lot of civilians and children that walk or bike in this neighborhood too. Unfortunately currently, you will see several vehicles not stopping at the four way stop throughout the days. Also the small roundabout on 16th street right by the present parking lot for library is a major issue for traffic on this busy street.

Please uphold the historic designation for the South Branch Library. Thank you!

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