

**Memo To:** Brad Murphy, City of Madison Planning department

**From:** Vilas neighborhood Association, Jon Standridge –President

**Regarding:** Hotel Red, 1509 Monroe St. request for changes to restrictive covenants

On August 10<sup>th</sup> 2011, at the regular monthly meeting of the Vilas Neighborhood Association (VNA) representatives of Hotel Red and Alder Sue Ellingson outlined potential changes to the existing restrictive covenant the Hotel Red management will be seeking from the city. A question and answer session and discussion of the requests ensued assisted by city staff in attendance. Following the discussions, the Vilas Neighborhood Association Council decided to take an official voted position regarding the changes to the restrictive covenant. Each of the requested changes was considered separately.

Regarding the removal of the requirement for a fitness/spa center; the VNA Council voted unanimously to support the requested change.

Regarding the change allowing food or beverages to be served or consumed in the front patio on Monroe Street and on the decks off private rooms; the VNA Council voted unanimously to support the requested change.

Regarding the request to add meeting or banquet room (Capitol Room) to the list of first floor allowed uses; the VNA Council voted unanimously to support the requested change.

Regarding the request to remove the requirement for security personnel at the entrance to each floor before during and after Camp Randall events; the VNA Council voted unanimously to support the requested change. It should be noted that security personnel are still required at all hotel entrance doors.

Regarding the request to not allow the property's parking areas to be used by the general public during Camp Randall events; the VNA Council voted unanimously to support the requested change.