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Good morning, Chair, Vice Chair and members of the Chicago Plan Commission.

Collectively, we support the FY 2022 Neighborhood Design Guideline ordinance. For years, communities measured how best to match the great urban designs found throughout Chicago that sadly were largely unseen in Southside neighborhoods.

This ordinance, calls for an intentional approach to plan new commercial design features that would bring beauty and amenity care to key corridors.

The Greater Englewood district is excited about repurposing commercial corridors along the Ashland, Racine, Halsted Corridors. Furthermore, we are excited about working with city Departments to activate the redevelopment of an abandoned elevated railroad track known as the Englewood Trail line along West 59th street. The nature trail would benefit greatly from these new guidelines and allows for the exchange of ideas and information from design concepts near or far.

Good neighborhood design concepts would afford all communities the opportunity to plan with confidence that our visionary sessions would be well received.

To this end, we wholeheartedly support the city's Neighborhood Design Guideline ordinance and urge it's passage.

Thank you, Plan Commission members for this opportunity to comment.

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