

To whom it may concern:

We ask who knows what Rochester is (NY, not MN)? Rochester used to be identified by nature's gifts of the Genesee river, the falls, and Lake Ontario. Later Governor Clinton "arranged" for the Erie Canal to unite the state and make Rochester one of the first cities to develop.

Rochester used to be identified as the home of Eastman Kodak, Hickey Freeman, Gleason Works, and Xerox.

What's here now? A city diminished economically, surrounded and separated by suburban housing and malls all causing excessive driving and resulting gas pollution.

We need to redevelop Rochester that will bring people together, North, South, East, and West via railtracks and waterways already in place to go to the airport, to the U of R, RIT, other local colleges plus a light rail system for cultural institutions for downtown business, dining, museums, colleges, other cultural locales.

Let's build Rochester for the 21st century!

Sincerely a City Resident,
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