## Mayoral candidate Dana Grubb: on care for smaller Southside sites

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## Dana Grubb for Mayor



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Candidate Grubb in front of the Brinker Lofts:

- a complete retrofit of an historic icehouse
- an example of the creative development we need
- but most historic sites on the Southside are smaller
- such homes and apartments need to be rehab'd and converted too
- but in a way that keeps history and charm and reduces environmental impact
- many models out there for smaller scale properties
- affordable housing and economical commercial space
- will help vulnerable populations and small businesses
- the proposed 10-story building on New St. doesn't get it
- luxury apartments etc.

- too many of such projects will change the unique character of the Southside
- we need to build on historical capital be rehabbing older buildings
- keep livable scale mixed income community
- create jobs, keep real estate available, and reasonable for renters and businesses
- will work with small investors and establish training programs
- small investors need to know how to navigate the city's processes

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