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SOUTH LOOP — Neighbors can tune in to a virtual community meeting Tuesday to hear what surveyed residents think of the proposed casino at The 78 megadevelopment.

The 78 Community Advisory Council is hosting a virtual meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday to share the survey results. More than 350 residents of neighboring South Loop, Pilsen and Chinatown neighborhoods shared their opinions, said Armando Chacon, who co-chairs the advisory council.

To register for the meeting, <u>click here</u>.

The 78 megadevelopment from Related Midwest, which will reshape the city from Chinatown to the South Loop along the south branch of the Chicago River, is <u>one of five sites being</u> <u>considered for a casino</u>.

Billionaire Neil Bluhm's plan would see a \$2 billion Rivers Casino built at The 78.

As of November, the plan included:

- 2,600 slots
- 190 table games
- 300 hotel rooms
- 8 restaurants, cafes and a food hall
- 5 bars and lounges
- Riverfront venue and plaza; observation deck

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Credit: Provided/City of ChicagoThe Rivers 78 Gaming proposed casino.

Chinatown residents and local officials <u>have previously expressed concerns</u> with the casino's potential placement at The 78. Ald. Byron Sigcho Lopez (25th), whose ward includes Pilsen and

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Chinatown, has said he is concerned about the possible casino location and potential "effects in communities of color."

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Other sites being considered for the casino include the Chicago Tribune printing site, <u>the old</u> <u>Michael Reese site</u> , near McCormick Place and at the <u>One Central</u> development near Solider Field.

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