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To the Board and City,

I am writing to formally submit a statement of support for the Plaza redevelopment master plan.

As a homeowner within the Plaza district's original Sunset Hill subdivision on Ward Parkway, I have reviewed the redevelopment plans and wish to express that I fully support the proposal as submitted. I believe these plans will be a positive addition to our community.

As a directly impacted property owner and community member of the district (at 5100 block of Ward Pkwy @ Rockwell/Ward) it is my opinion that the Plaza is not possible to preserve in its original highest and best use or as a permanently historic status in anyway that could benefit the city and our community. If we aren't going to allow the current owners to fully redevelop it to its potential to bring more density, revenue and modernized highest and best use, then we shouldn't proceed with a project at all. Let them proceed. Up to 300 ft should be of no concerns to anyone in the area due to the existing natural geography of the district itself. Some buildings in the area already exceed that elevation. This is an urban core and we should continue to invest in its density and the opportunity that it provides to our city.

I look forward to seeing the massive investment in the district come to fruition.

Thank you for taking my feedback into consideration.

Best regards,

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