

I support the proposed parking standards amendments

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Members of the Neighborhood Planning & Development Committee,

I live downtown and once I am past the buildings immediately surrounding my apartment I walk past the depressing sight and uncomfortable feeling of a sea of mostly empty parking lots. I wish to see these become lively homes and businesses and paying for our infrastructure. But we have a problem: parking requirements. Fortunately there are solutions!

I am writing to express my support for the proposed updates to Kansas City's parking standards. These changes are an important step toward making housing more affordable, encouraging walkable neighborhoods, and allowing for more flexible and productive land use.

Modernizing our parking requirements will help support mixed-use development and remove barriers that currently prevent small-scale and incremental projects from moving forward. These updates are aligned with the goals of the KC Spirit Playbook and reflect what many community members have voiced a desire for: more housing options, better transportation choices, and stronger neighborhood vitality.

I encourage the Committee to adopt these amendments and continue advancing planning policies that make Kansas City more connected, equitable, and welcoming.

Thank you for your consideration.

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