

April 9, 2020

Eric Bunch, Councilman4th District City of Kansas City, MO City Hall 414 E. 12th Street Kansas City, MO 64106

Dear Councilman Bunch:

As a proponent of downtown Kansas City, we at Custom Engineering strongly urge the City Council to support Ordinance No. 200225, to continue the progress made on the Barney Allis Redevelopment project.

Along with many prominent businesses anchored downtown, Custom Engineering is an active investor in Kansas City and has been for 46years. Now, more than ever, we encourage the City to continue to invest in their own success and prioritize the Barney Allis Redevelopment project - even during these challenging times.

Custom Engineering has supported all the major redevelopment initiatives to advance this City to the top. Initiatives such as the Power and Light District, Sprint Arena, Infrastructure Improvements, and the New KCI Airport Terminal. The employees at Custom Engineering work very hard to deliver projects that support the Triple Bottom Line of People, Planet, and Profits all to the benefits of the Community.

We understand that the City, along with the rest of the world, is making difficult decisions every day related to the COVID-19 pandemic. By moving this project forward now, the City will be ready to revive the momentum on downtown development and the local economy when this situation subsides. Reinvesting in the Barney Allis parking garage and plaza also demonstrates your support of our business, convention, hotel and tourism industries as they recover from the economic downturn.

As a representative from Custom Engineering, I urge you to pass Ordinance No. 200225. We offer our continual support in establishing Kansas City as a desirable place to live, work and enjoy.

Sincerely,

Joseph T. Davis, PE

CEO