

March 26, 2024

## RE: BARNEY ALLIS PLAZA REPLACEMENT Ordinance No. 240313

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Downtown Neighborhood Association, I would like to indicate our full support of the redevelopment of Barney Allis Plaza.

The Downtown Neighborhood Association's mission is to build a vibrant, safe, and friendly neighborhood for residents by nurturing a sense of community in Downtown Kansas City.

The current Plaza is structurally unsound and an eyesore for residents and visitors to our city alike. With the 2026 World Cup approaching it is crucial for the city to put on its best face and a new structure next to the convention center will do just that. As residents we welcome the new plaza's ability to offer multi-modal transportation options with new bus stops, micro-transit, parking, and venues for small festivals and gatherings to be held.

We are looking forward to showcasing our neighborhood to the world and this project will do just that.

The Downtown Neighborhood Association fully supports the redevelopment of Barney Allis Plaza and we encourage the City to assure its speedy replacement.

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Nicholas Morris Planning And Development Chair, Downtown Neighborhood Association