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J. And Rich,

Thank you so much for putting pen to paper on this topic. It is extremely important for existing residents to welcome new housing in any given area and your concern about parking accommodations is valid and heard. I will share your feedback on this proposed development with DCD and the developer so they may incorporate changes to accommodate the specific needs of the area that you identify.

Sincerely,



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Dear Alderwoman Dimitrijevic:

My husband and I recently commented on your Facebook post on April 7 regarding the 2332 South Austin Street Redevelopment. Your account requested that we email our comment to formally submit it for the record and consideration.

Our house is on South Burrell Street, only two blocks from the apartment development site. Our concern is for any development in this area to have more than enough parking included within the site for the full capacity of potential residents of the site and that is convenient for them.

The streets in this neighborhood are narrow and crowded. It is already very difficult to find parking. As owners of a single-family-home on a small lot that does not have a driveway or garage, nor does it have the space to add one, street parking is a big concern for us because it is our only option. As it is already, we sometimes have to park several blocks from our house and walk. A large influx of more vehicles would make this even more difficult for existing residents, not to mention for the new apartment residents as well if they don't have abundant dedicated parking.

The existing congestion already makes it difficult for snow removal and street cleaning. When the narrow streets are filled with parked cars, the roads do not get plowed well. In turn, this reduces the number of viable parking spaces because the unremoved snow occupies spaces or blocks them. The incomplete snow removal also contributes to more hazardous driving conditions. Similarly, the congestion does not allow sufficient leaf and debris removal. The roads have been flooding more and more, often due to blocked sewers from leaves and debris that would have been cleared by street cleaners, except that parked cars obstructed thoroughness. The roads, themselves, are also already in very poor condition. Adding more cars to these streets will impact all of these elements.

The parking also needs to be convenient so it is actually utilized. An example of this not working is Stitchweld Apartments at Ward Street and Robinson Avenue, just on the other side of Lincoln Avenue from the proposed South Austin redevelopment. Stitchweld has a large parking lot, but it is located at the far backend of the large complex, away from most of the buildings. Consequently, the previously calm streets, which we enjoyed walking our dog on, are overflowing with residents parking on the street because it's closer to their entrance. It's so full on both sides of the streets that often delivery vehicles just stop in the middle of the single remaining lane of traffic, making the entire street impassable. Meanwhile, the large, inconvenient lot sits half empty. Low visibility makes it dangerous for pedestrians, so we no longer walk over there. And the general congestion and possible blockages cause us to drive way around that area instead of through it like we used to.

The new Corliss development, just a couple blocks down Lincoln Avenue from our house and the proposed South Austin redevelopment, gives us similar concerns. It's still finishing construction and not fully occupied yet, so we've yet to see the impact yet. We were excited

for that development, but when we saw the final designs, we noticed the parking capacity seemed very low compared to the occupancy capacity. A parking inadequacy could have a cascading effect into our nearby streets.

We applaud reinvigoration of under-utilized neighborhood spaces, especially those which serve senior and low-income citizens. However, we would want any new development to be positive long-term for both existing and potential new residents alike in all aspects. This includes providing more than enough on-premises, convenient parking. It can't simply be one space for each apartment if many units could contain two-car families.

Thank you for considering this matter.

Justin "J." Severson and Richard "Rich" Konshak