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To: planadmin; historicpreservation; Mayor Tom Barrett; D'Amato, Michael

Subject: Downer Ave. - proposed parking structure

Dear Mayor Barrett,

I have worked in the Downer Ave. area for several years. I also own a home a few blocks from Downer Ave. in the historic district.

I am appalled at the proposed parking structure and what it would mean to the quality of the historic district. I believe that these developers plan to take a unique and much loved area and turn it into an overdone "fake" development on the order of the new Bayshore. Their bottom line is making as much money as possible, and I see no reason why the city should go along with this to the detriment of the whole historic district. The fact that they want to build the parking structure to the limits of the open space without regard for green space, the popcorn wagon, and the adjoining houses says a great deal about their motivation. Downer Ave. is certainly not the place for the front of a parking structure.

Please stop the sale of this city property and the resulting development.

Sincerely, Lonni Mueller