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Dear Members of the Neighborhood Planning & Development Committee,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed updates to Kansas City's parking standards, including the removal of parking minimums in Midtown.

As a resident in the affected area and through my involvement with multiple Kansas City neighborhood associations, I've seen strong interest in creating more connected, vibrant neighborhoods. Minimum parking requirements often limit housing development, make small-scale projects infeasible, and dedicate valuable land to parking rather than homes, businesses, and community spaces. Removing these mandates allows development to better reflect actual demand, support mixed-use growth, and expand housing options.

I understand that parking availability is a real concern for many residents. However, these challenges are better addressed through targeted parking management strategies—such as residential permits, pricing, and time limits—rather than one-size-fits-all zoning requirements.

I encourage the Committee to adopt these amendments and continue advancing policies that support a more connected, equitable, and thriving Kansas City.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Nicholas Sumner