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As a neighboring stakeholder in the River Market with 5 buildings on Delaware and 4 parking lots – oversubscribed – I am concerned but the lack of strategy the city is implying by releasing the Harvest project and probably the adjacent city lot south of 5<sup>th</sup> from previous parking requirements per the RFP's. To be clear, Epoch Developments, Delaware, Lofts, Delaware Landings are in favor of the Harvest project and density but dismayed at such disregard and foresight on the impact the loss of spaces with have once built. Given the city owns the City Market and those tenants require employees, how does the city expect tenants to staff their space as well as public access to the Market and RM as a whole?? See the issue?

Perhaps a city-funded garage – yes other cities do this – on the lot adjacent to the Opera bldg? A design sketch by Nicholson already demonstrates viability. Or adding 2-3 floors of a garage to the lot south of Harvest with ingress off of Independance to alleviate cars inside the Market. Or on my lots uphill on Delaware. Given the RM TIF expiring, the funds could be sourced from future prop taxes now available.

Please don't continue the knee-jerking reactions when a forward-thinking strategy might apply.

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