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## Saint Paul City Council:

My name is Jim Hornecker, and I'm the Director of Real Estate for Cub Foods.

The purpose of this email is to comment on the following items on the September 20, 2023, City Council Agenda:

27. RES PH 23-227 28. RES PH 23-229 29. RES PH 23-232

All three items pertain to the properties located at the southeast quadrant of University and Snelling, adjacent to our Cub store located in the Midway Marketplace shopping center.

Cub's concern is that capacity in these interim parking lots is substantially insufficient for event parking at Allianz Field. Since there's insufficient on-site parking, Allianz Field attendees regularly park in front of Cub, which is across Pascal Street to the east, without permission or payment.

As a result of the parking which overflows into our lot, it becomes very difficult for our customers to park and shop our store. Posting signage on event days has not made any appreciable impact in alleviating the situation.

With the recent announcement that TJ Maxx is closing its store in the Midway Marketplace, as well as the years-long vacancy of the former Herbergers, Cub is understandably concerned regarding potential adverse impacts to our customers and store.

The applicant's request for five-year extensions of the parking permits lacks any measures to address the ongoing inequitable situation that events at Allianz Field have created, and will continue to create for five additional years if granted.

We request that the applicant be required to substantially improve the parking situation on their properties prior to the commencement of the next soccer season as a condition of any extension of the interim parking permits.



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