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**Subject:** Supporting the full elimination of parking minimums

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Councilmember Tolbert-

I am writing to express my support for the full elimination of parking minimums, and to ask you to support full elimination as well.

Parking minimums impose costs that make some infill development and affordable housing projects unaffordable, and they discourage less car-dependent forms of development than those that dominate St. Paul today. Maintaining the minimums would be at odds with other steps the council has taken in recent years to encourage development of more walkable and transit-friendly districts in the city. The determination of parking minimums for a project is best left to developers and lenders in light of market conditions, along with things like the mix of one and two bedroom apartments in a project.

Thank you for your consideration,

Paul Sabourin

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