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Public Hearing Testimony to the Saint Paul Charter Commission

Dear Saint Paul Charter Commission members,

Sustain Saint paul is a volunteer-led, grass-roots organization that champions abundant housing, low-carbon transportation, and sustainable land use in Saint Paul. We submit this testimony on behalf of the Board, members, and advocates that make up our organization.

We offer our strong support regarding the adoption of administrative citations as it is vital to equip our city government with the appropriate tools to enforce local laws and ordinances. Administrative citations offer ways for our government to avoid criminal violations, lifting unnecessary burdens on our criminal justice system while allowing citizens to resolve their penalties without establishing a criminal record. We view this as a common sense tool for our city to employ as it needs when and where appropriate. With administrative citations, our local government can move towards increased accountability for those who violate the law as well as more responsible management of our public dollars.

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