

**Shari Moore - Regarding the proposed change in parking requirements for restaurants in St. Paul**

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Dear St. Paul City Councilperson,

I am opposed to the proposed changes to the parking requirements for restaurants serving alcohol.

The drastic change proposed would negatively affect St. Paul residential neighborhoods and I see no good reason to make such a radical change. If change is needed why not incrementally and see how that works out. For instance, change the requirement to 1 parking spot for each 200 sq ft, because once it is changed to 1 parking spot for 400 sq ft there will be no going back. Also, require these restaurants to close by 10:00 PM, not midnight.

As a life-time resident and long-time home owner in St. Paul's Fourth Ward I have seen the erosion of neighborhood protections over the past few years. I especially have seen businesses given parking variances with no concern for the neighbors.

Please help protect our neighborhoods and vote against this change. There is a good reason this rule was established and that reason has not changed.

Thank you for consideration of my request.

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