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Dear Mayor and Council Members:

The zoning leg of the A2D2 process comes back much improved for first reading before you tonight.

This should be counted as one of the successes in a collaborative effort on the part of all of you, citizens and staff. In particular, Wendy Rampson did superlative in communicating all aspects, changes and milestones.

The final provisions will join the Master Plan (including the Central Area Plan and the Downtown Plan), the DDA provisions, and other A2D2 guidance (HDC by-laws and the City Code provisions dealing with historic districts as revised in 2007) in helping guide the shaping of central Ann Arbor for decades.

We applaud Planning Commission and Council for bringing the matter to appropriate conclusion. With all of the input and review, I am confident that this leg represents a unified approach to zoning as well as administration.

It is necessary that these provisions continue to be enforced and interpreted in light of the other documents noted above to achieve consistency in the shared goals.

Further, it is necessary that the next A2D2 leg be moved forward; the design guidelines are just as important and have been just as onerous to derive.

One final thought, please preserve the character overlays and other aspects that survived the process as a compromise between willing participants.

Thank you for your attention to these details and the overall process.

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Regards,

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