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Please distribute this letter to all members of the Historic District Commission.  
Thank you, Vic Muñoz

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To all board members of the HDC and to all members of the City Council of the City of Ann Arbor

To members of Ann Arbor's Historic District Commission: John Beeson, Ben Bushkuhl, Patrick McCauley, Ellen Ramsburgh, Jeniffer Ross, Tom Stulberg, Robert White and to Ann Arbor's City Council, Mayor Christopher Taylor, Council Members; Sabra Briere, Suni Kailasapathy, Jane Lumm, Kirk Westphal, Zachary Ackerman, Julie Grand, Jack Eaton, Graydon Kraphol, Chip Smith and Chuck Waperhoski.

Since I cannot attend the HDC meeting on Thursday December 10, 2015 to personally voice my views concerning the Glenn/Ann project, I am writing to ask you to approve this project.

I am a retired architect and have lived in Ann Arbor for 48 years. I have seen many changes in the City, most of them good changes thanks to the people running the City.

We now have another proposed change to an empty "CONTAMINATED" lot at the corner of Glen and Ann streets, the southeast corner of an area considered a Historical District. My wife and I know this area very well. Our two daughters were born in St Joseph's Hospital, (no longer there), just up the street from this site; my wife worked for 12 years at the U of M Taubman Medical Library also up the street from this site in the other direction. We have eaten at Angelo's and at a Pizzeria that use to be located where a new apartment building has been built southwest of the empty lot, we have parked our car many times on a parking lot on the east side of Glen, across from this site where there is now a U of M Building.

The site is surrounded, on the east side across from Glen by parking structures and University Buildings, on the Northeast corner of Catherine and Glen by a modern addition to Angelo's, on the North side across Catherine by a large well maintained modern looking

parking structure, on the Northwest side by ugly, modern style, not well maintained apartment buildings and on the Southwest side by newer, brick, modern style apartment building. None of these buildings, surrounding this site can be considered representative of historical buildings.

The site is badly contaminated because of the dry-cleaning establishment and a gas station that were located on this site. To clean up this site will be a very expensive endeavor, money that the developer and owner of this lot is willing to spend to have a safe clean lot for construction of the project. This project that will enhance this area, will bring tax revenue to the City and is a project that both the city and the University can benefit from. An alternative to this project is for the University to buy this property, clean the contamination, (since they can afford to do this), and build whatever they want to. The University does not have to follow the city of Ann Arbor resolutions, they respond to a completely different set of laws. How would you like to have another parking structure on this site?

The proposed project is a well thought out project, architecturally designed to enhance the area and buildings surrounding it. It will be wrong not to allow this project to go on.

Please take a good look at what is being proposed, drive around the site and look at what is out there and make a decision to approve this project.

Thank you for your consideration,

Victor Muñoz