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To the planning commissioners:

I have been attending some of your meetings and keeping up with some of the changes that are occurring in the comprehensive plan drafts. I am reaching out now to encourage you all to advocate for a few changes related to the most recent draft as you continue your discussions with city staff and the consultants.

First, I believe that a greater height limit should be allowed downtown, as this seems like **the place** to build lots of housing without upsetting single-family home owners. I live downtown and would love it if more tall buildings were there so that supply would increase and housing prices would level or fall.

Second, I believe that the commission should continue to advocate for eliminating the flex district from the plan so that new construction would be allowed on South Industrial and North Main Street. These are two areas where a lot of housing could be built and appreciated by the people around it and within the city. It seemed like almost all of the commissioners were on the same page about this a few weeks back, but it keeps getting written back into the plan for some reason.

Thank you for reading this, and thank you for thinking critically about these decisions!

Best,
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