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To whom it may concern –

I'm writing as an Ann Arbor renter, worker (in the area), and advocate for development that goes beyond 'sustainability' as a marketing term. I have two questions below:

1. **Why another luxury-unit building in a city saturated with near unaffordable living?** As a recent college graduate and young worker, I know this new development will be completely out of reach for me or anyone at a similar standing to my own (which I consider quite well off and privileged). I pay \$800/month + utilities to live in a city where I can walk to work, bike, and recreate without a car, but am only able to do so because I share a small (800sf) house with 2 others, something many others can't do for various reasons. With all the good things this city stands for and tries to do, it does nothing if the only people that can afford to live here are those with long-term generational wealth.
2. **Since this is being developed by those heavily involved in the recycling center and stewardship network (both environmentally progressive companies), what can we expect in terms of the environmental impact being offset for a development with a massive footprint that involves the removal of a wooded area with some of the best bird habitat in the downtown?** This feels like a project that should be required to go beyond simple requests like *landmark tree replacement* due to the people funding the development being green-job providers in Ann Arbor. I walk through the little chunk of woods five days a week that will be decimated.
 - a. **Is this another project where 'sustainability' is just a marketing term where the developer does only what is required and little more? How do you offset a footprint for such a massive development?**

Thank you for taking the time to read these.

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