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Hi,

I'm Ina and I rent in the Old 4th Ward. I am writing to urge you to implement the proposed zoning changes in 2026.

I've lived in Ann Arbor for 8 years, moving almost every year, each time paying more money to live in an increasingly dilapidated apartment. We need way more housing; we're approaching a point of no return right now where everyone is hitting rock bottom and being forced out.

For this reason, I was shocked to hear that it would take "several years" to implement zoning changes that were agreed upon, when the housing situation have been in rapid decline for decades already. Every month of waiting is another renter like me continuing to deal with exploitative landlords, mold, sewage leaks, dirty tap water, and crumbling windows that scrape lead paint dust on you every time you open them. It's unjust to be told to wait several more years to have basic standard living conditions that we should have had from the beginning.

So please consider that renters will be paying the price for every delay. We're grateful for the work you have done on this plan so far, so please don't let it be for nothing. Please implement zoning changes this year, or for many people it's going to be too late.

Thank you for reading,
Ina