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Thanks for all the work done so far on TC1 rezoning! Please approve it.
It's the kind of thing we need to be doing more of to address our housing shortage and the climate crisis.

Every serious plan for dealing with carbon emissions, including our own A2Zero plan, acknowledges that we'll have to cut driving significantly.

That doesn't mean eliminating personal vehicles! They will continue to be one important way for people to get around. But, at a minimum, if people **want** to live a walk or bike-ride from work, we should let them.

Upzoning along transit corridors is a great first step.

I know people are afraid of change. I understand, I live in this neighborhood too, I love the proximity to schools, and parks, and grocery stores, and the Traverwood library, among other things. Any change runs the risk of taking away something I like. But change comes one way or another, and we're not forcing anyone to do anything by rezoning--we're just ensuring that when, eventually, it's time to replace something, the zoning rules in place allow people to do the right thing rather than forbidding it.

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