

Subject: Thank you for the Comprehensive Plan Forum

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Dear Mayor Taylor, Council Radina, and Senior Planner Bennett,

I am writing to extend my sincere thanks for hosting the recent Burns Park neighborhood forum regarding the Ann Arbor comprehensive plan. I appreciate taking the time to be present and to listen to the perspectives of our community.

The passion and engagement at the meeting were palpable. While the conversation became heated and disrespectful at times, I'm grateful for your steady presence and your commitment to fostering a space for open dialogue. Your efforts to ensure a level of civility and to remain focused on your vision for a better Ann Arbor did not go unnoticed.

Supporters of the increased density plan like myself yielded time to opposition so that we can learn more about earnest concerns in order to build the best possible plan. Topics included:

- Mailer preference for key engagement notifications
- Civilian knowledge gaps about infrastructure capex and forecasting
- University partnership given the Michigan constitution - offering a call to action to speak directly with UM regents
- Citizens will not vote directly on this plan rather they voted for elected officials that will approve the plan
- Nuanced details aren't included in this plan like setbacks or differentiated zoning in proximity to campus - those will be discussed in future zoning ordinance changes initiated by planning commission and approved by city council in public meetings that will have public hearing opportunities

Thank you again for your leadership and your dedication to including community input in this important process.

Sincerely,

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