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To: Planning <Planning@a2gov.org>
Subject: Message of Support for the SouthTown Project

Dear Planning Commissioners,

Thank you for the time, consideration, and service you provide in ensuring that housing is more available in our community and healthier for our environment. My name is Brandon Bond and I am a Human Rights Commissioner for the City of Ann Arbor. In my time as a Commissioner and as a supporter of several local non-profits, I have witnessed the immense need for affordable, sustainable, and human-centered housing. This is why I am writing in support of the SouthTown project as it is proposed. It will undoubtedly be a great contribution to the overall community.

The housing crisis is only getting worse so it is vital that we take action now. For many people, this development could save their life and the lives of loved ones. I wish this statement was hyperbolic, but it's the unfortunate reality of where the world is right now. We can not afford to neglect and remain idle in the face of the growth of this crisis, we must be proactive and accountable to the well-being of our community members.

This housing development will be extraordinarily beneficial to our community as it simultaneously contributes to meeting the housing demand needs, advancing sustainability efforts, and promoting economic engagement. Most importantly it's giving people the opportunity to have a place to call home, a place to reach their potential, and a place to grant them the dignity they deserve as human beings.

Please support and approve this housing development project. Your approval signifies a much-needed investment in our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Best,
Brandon