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Hello,

Washtenaw Climate Reality is a local chapter of the Climate Reality Project, founded by Al Gore. The Climate Reality Project is dedicated to catalyzing a global solution to the climate crisis by making urgent action a necessity across every level of society.

We recently learned about the proposed project at the University Inn property at 2424 East Stadium, and we understand it is on the agenda for your August 3 meeting. As we understand it, the project will be all electric, with no natural gas hookups. Moreover, it will be cooled and heated by Vertical Terminal Air Conditioners (VTACs) with heat pumps, it will have a solar array for electrical power, and it will have charging stations for electric vehicles.

We commend the developer for meeting the standards of the A2Zero plan, avoiding fossil fuel infrastructure, embracing alternative energy sources, and accommodating EVs. This is critical if we are to reach our city's decarbonization goals. More broadly, this is the kind of development that must be pursued if we are to reverse climate change and secure our future on the planet. This type of development should be the model for all future projects. WCR supports development like this, especially on our public transit corridors. Please give this proposal every consideration for approval at your August 3 meeting, and please do what you can to encourage this type of development moving forward.

Thank you,  
David Gurk  
Chair, Washtenaw Climate Reality