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Subject: 721 S. Forest Ave PUD

Hello Planning,

My name is Ian, and I am an undergraduate student at the University. I heard about this new proposed development on S. Forest, a student neighborhood close to the South U area, and I wanted to write it to voice my support for it and also offer a suggestion regarding how it can benefit the community most.

First I'd like to note that I *strongly* support the proposed development. This is a phenomenal place to add new housing in the city, as it is close to retail space, close to campus, which means that the easily walkable for prospective residents. It also happens to be very close to bus lines, which means that even though it doesn't even have that much parking, that isn't a concern for potential renters. This is additionally great, because it saves money for the tenants, and reduces the number of cars students bring to school.

My one point of criticism (if you can even call it that) is that it seems like all the benefits of the project would only be amplified if the project were taller. Even 15 stories wouldn't be that tall - we have taller buildings! Plus, having more apartments in this neighborhood would mean more competition for landlords who charge absurd amounts for old, rickety apartments. I hope the planning commission gives this a speedy passage through the commission.

Best,

Ian Sandler-Bowen