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Matthew,

I wanted to vocalize my support for the removal of parking minimums ahead of the 4/17 meeting. I do not think the City should require that bars accommodate drunk drivers, or that a city which declared a climate crisis should require its citizens to build fossil fuel infrastructure, or that a city which declared a housing emergency should make housing more expensive and difficult to build.

The parking rules as written are plainly ridiculous (5 spaces per bowling lane, 5 spaces per hole of a miniature golf course, plenty of others) and should be removed entirely. I understand there is some chatter about watering down the changes due to opposition from Fan homeowners who are worried about being able to park their second and third SUVs on the street for free - the City should not prioritize them over meeting its stated goals of encouraging housing production, limiting the urban heat island effect, and reducing vehicle miles traveled. No business owner should ever again have to pay for an SUP to change the existing use of a building because of excessive parking rules. Planners cannot know the parking needs of every single parcel in the city, please remove all of the requirements.

Regards,
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