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From: KATHLEEN BURKE BARRETT 1652 W. Grace St 2A (condo) lifelong resident of the City of Richmond. 804 349-9940

I love living in the Fan District of RVA. When I downsized my home I wanted to remain in the City near VCU. The 17 years I have lived on Grace St. I have seen much improvement much to the influence of VCU. My block is eligible for parking stickers which I get each year. There is still no guarantee of a parking spot because of the businesses on Broad St. and VCU activities. Now the City is allowing developers to come in and building unattractive box apartment buildings on every inch of green space. Those of us who have invested and restored our historic homes are being pushed out with uncontrolled traffic planning (Scotts Addition) and The Boulevard and the soon to be Diamond District. When the riots were at the Lee Statue we lost more parking which has not come back on Allen Ave and now the City has approved a Boutique Hotel directly across from me at Allen Ave and Grace. They claim there will be adequate parking. That is a joke.

I am a business person and understand the importance of tax dollars for the city by making developers a priority over home owners, but it is not right. I fear that the transient renters of these apartments will drive the people out of the city when we were the ones that come back to the city to save it's historic charm.

I pray the committee will consider what we have endured these past few years and make developers provide parking in all new housing and business in the Fan.

Respectfully, Kathleen Burke Barrett

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