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Matthew, as a resident of the Fan District, I don't believe a one size fits all approach to parking for new development is appropriate. Although there are circumstances where parking requirements might deter smaller businesses and possibly exceptions should be made, 12 story apartment buildings need to have a plan for parking. Incentives for businesses to share their empty parking lots should be put in place before the restrictions are lifted - not after. If a developer can save money by not providing parking it will. Poor planning for the development of Scotts Edition is a testament to why lifting parking requirements is a bad idea. It is impossible to find parking there - I hesitate to patronize the businesses there because parking is impossible and because people walking in the streets without the infrastructure if sidewalks is dangerous. I certainly would not want to live in the environment that is being created there. We don't need more unfettered development- we need thoughtful development. Lifting parking restrictions with a one size fits all approach is putting the cart before the horse. Richmond is a great place to livedon't help turn it into DC. Thank you for your consideration. Pattie Kennedy

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