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**To:** PDR Land Use Admin  
**Subject:** Comment on CPR.2020.033

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Hello PDR Land Use Administration,

I am writing to support the proposed amendments to B-3 zoning in the City of Richmond.

Car-oriented commercial corridors—such as those currently supported and even encouraged by the B-3 zoning category—cut off residential neighborhoods from each other, especially on the southside of Richmond where this zoning category proliferates. This zoning currently amplifies difficulties in providing transportation alternatives to cars, and exacerbates hardscape-related climate stressors like extreme heat exposure and stormwater management.

We need to start realizing land uses that support the growth of healthy communities and create a strong sense of place in our neighborhoods.

Connectivity puts us on the path toward meeting our equity goals in regards to establishing and/or strengthening community, improving access between residential neighborhoods, and creating space for people. Indeed, these zoning amendments would begin to reflect the community-informed vision that is contained within Richmond 300.

Furthermore, as we set our eyes on economic recovery in the face of COVID-19 as well as economic stability in the face of climate change, these amendments further set us on a path of accomplishing the goal of a climate-resilient city.

Thank you,

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"Our species needs, and deserves, a citizenry with minds wide awake and a basic understanding of how the world works." - Carl Sagan

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I am a resident of the 3rd District, a homeowner, and an RPS parent. I'm writing in support of CPR.2020.033 which amends the B-3 zoning.

82% of the B-3 zoning in the city is located within the 8th and 9th Districts. These amendments will bring B-3 more in line with the vision and goals presented in the nearly-completed Richmond 300 plan. Encouraging less auto-centric development along our Southside corridors will help us build a more equitable, thriving future in Richmond.

Again, I support this paper and the amendments to the B-3 zoning.

Stay well and do good,

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