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To: PRC
Cc: O'Brien, Mike; Johnson, Rob; Burgess, Tim; Torgelson, Nathan; Rutzick, Lisa; Nyland, Kathy
Subject: Comments on project

Hello,

This comment applies to the project at 6726 Greenwood Avenue N, Project Number 3020114, as I understand the comment period is open at this time.

I live in the neighborhood of this and other projects for which I understand no parking will be provided. While my family and neighbors regularly use public transit and sometimes enjoy bicycling in the city, we are aware that vehicle ownership is usual for residents in this neighborhood, as in others in Seattle. Therefore I point out to you the lack of practicality in approving commercial and residential and mixed-use construction projects with no provisions made for parking. This situation disregards the needs of families with children, residents aging-in-place, customers to business establishments in the neighborhood, visitors and guests, and more. I am not an advocate of greater use of cars, but I believe the practice of adding dozens of residences without parking is misguided and misinformed. I expect there will be reduced business traffic on our business blocks, more parking violations in an area where already many park illegally close to intersections, and increased danger to pedestrians young and old.

Your attention is called for. Make Code changes and reinterpretations appropriate to the "livability" claims for our city. Please consider this comment with regard to other projects without parking also under review. I am puzzled that there are also apartment projects within a block or two north and south of the above for which parking will be required. This inconsistency adds to the problems for the neighborhood and damages the credibility of the building permit department's and city planners' actions.

I'm sending this also to the Mayor's office and I'm cc'ing the district council member, the chair of the committee responsible for building planning and land use and neighborhoods, and department heads for permits, neighborhoods and design review. If parking is not within the purview of the permit review, I yet hope the other addressees will recognize what is within their purview.

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