

To the Common Council:

I am a neighborhood of the Peloton development who lives within the first block off Park St. and I have participated in the planning and approval process surrounding this development for more than four years now. One major concern for many neighbors was the potential of vehicles belonging to Peloton residents, visitors and retail customers overwhelming the streets adjacent to this very dense “island” of development between Park and Fish Hatchery. The experience with the adjacent Wingra Point I development whereby a great many residents of that building chose to forego optional on-site parking in favor of street parking only heightened the concerns of nearby neighbors. Through the various iterations of this proposal over the years, we have participated, and offered input, and attended countless meetings with the developer, our alder, and fellow neighbors and the result of all this effort and the democratic process it represents was the adoption by this very body of a condition on the 2017 approval that required an opt-out provision for parking on Peloton leases. If one doesn't own a car or need parking they could turn it down, but the default mode would be for parking to be built into the lease. Now, as this development plan faces last minute changes, this condition has been removed at the proverbial 11th hour and with absolutely no forewarning or neighborhood input. And the reason for this is especially ironic—because of the addition of numerous extra units to the Peloton, there aren't quite enough spots to offer in the Peloton itself. But these extra units will make the potential parking problem *even worse*, so it makes no sense to remove this condition. Because Wingra Point I featured the opposite—opt-in parking—it has enough open spaces available to cover the spillover from the Peloton should that be necessary. I therefore urge you to reestablish the condition for opt-out parking at the Peloton. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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