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Common Council Members,

I fully endorse the letter sent to you by BCNA regarding parking at the “Peloton.” The condition of approval that folded parking into tenants’ leases with opt-out option for those without cars was endorsed by our last alder, is endorsed by our current alder, has the approval of the city attorney, and was agreed to in 2017 by the developer. It was part of the Peloton’s approval package in order to assume the burden of on-street parking that would otherwise revert to the neighborhood.

I live on the 800 block of W. Lakeside and between the apartment building already here, the two restaurants within a block, and the coffee shop nearby, our street is regularly full of parked cars.

We have had discussions with neighbors about the tendency of many of these cars to park in driveways in the attempt to fit into a limited amount of space, and we’ve had to call Parking Enforcement regularly, often just to get help exiting of our driveway.

Wishful thinking is not good planning. Nor is putting a burden on the backs of neighbors so that a developer can profit. The previous arrangement to fold parking into leases was the product of a legitimate legislative process and should not be subverted.

Yours,

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