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**[MPC Comment] MPC Parking Ordinance 01/12/2017**

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To Mayor Rogero, Gerald Green, MPC and to City Council,

I realize a lot of work has gone into the City's Parking Ordinance update to include shared parking for businesses and time spent on the number of trees around parking areas. But there is Still nothing on relief for parking in older neighborhoods and the SW1 residential neighborhood in the dictated Form Based Code.

With all the investment in this ordinance there has been no work done helping city residents in these older neighborhoods that will and are impacted with over crowding of on-street parking issues pertaining to single family homes re-muddled as apartments that allow subletting. Which means even more cars. Driveways were not required in 1910, and 20s.

Historically Phillips was the 1st street that connected to the Gay St Bridge, not Sevier per the McClung Museum.

In just reading the last South Knox News Shopper January 11, 2017 and recent KNS. Articles make it sound as if Council and MPC are very concerned about residential neighborhoods. So please support our neighborhoods and add an amendment or some wording that can be a goto in the future if needed. In all actuality, parking is just as important in a parking ordinance, if not more important than the height or spacing of a tree in a parking area.

So please... Work with our neighborhoods, support residents not just the businesses as businesses are out for the bottom line for their own profit and not really concerned about the people that live near their businesses.

We have at least 15 cars parked for 3 houses each night along with the borrowed UT vehicle. Then add the homeowners cars and renters that have a normal number of vehicles and that is 6 to 8 more cars. The apartments that sublet cause the worse problem and I have to wonder if the number of people occupying each unit is legal. The house that is being renovated across from us will have 2 cars BUT the renters are already parking in front of their new home.

This ordinance as is will be approved by council members and MPC that are not living in older neighborhoods facing this type of problem. This is a problem that needs to be addressed not just in our area but in several locations where Multi use and FBC had been been pushed by the last councilperson who is now working at Uncle Lems. Is this a sweet deal. along with living in Island Home in a non historic house and has no parking issues.

Approval and Support by MPC would be for the ordinance to have a section or amendment added to reflect a Residential Parking Permit process specifically written for a specific area for the specific street. determined by the full-time residents that live on that street.

Thank you,

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