



As a local nonprofit organization working to make Knoxville a better place to walk and bike for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds, Bike Walk Knoxville has concerns about the most recent plans for this project. We appreciate CR Endeavors taking the time to meet with the South Waterfront Advisory and Advocacy Group (SWAAG). However, the major changes requested in that discussion, specifically an open-air north/south public connection through the site, have not been addressed.

Pedestrian connectivity in this area is paramount. Whether they are residents of the proposed development, nearby neighbors, or visitors seeking to enjoy Knoxville's waterfront, everyone should be able to walk safely and comfortably between downtown and South Knoxville. This plan would not facilitate the accessibility and mobility that this area deserves.

Bike Walk Knoxville believes in developments that align with the goals of a pedestrian-oriented built environment, as outlined in the South Waterfront Vision Plan and emphasized throughout the Form-Based Code. This development must include convenient public access for pedestrians to serve the needs of the community.