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Subject: South Park Blocks Master Plan
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Please vote NO on the SPB Master Plan when it comes to City Council unless it can be drastically revised.

My husband and I live downtown and love the South Park Blocks. They are our oasis in a downtown full of hardscape. We especially love the magnificent trees, which provide us shade in the summer, beautiful fall colors, and sunlight during the winter. We do not need more hardscape in the park blocks and evergreen trees that will make the blocks more shady during the long winter months. We love the open space the park blocks provide for gathering and visiting, the stunning long views, and the 4 separated paths through the park that provide some distance from others when necessary.

The deciduous trees should be maintained and not allowed to become unhealthy. They can live 300 years with proper maintenance. Please separate out from the Master Plan the Tree Succession Plan, so that a maintenance plan can be included. Also please separate out the Green Loop, which if enacted, would encroach on the trees and endanger them. These two plans are too important to be buried in the Master Plan.

Thank you.
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