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**Subject: Community Support for Parking Reform in El Paso**

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Dear Mayor Johnson and City Council Members,

As representatives of the **Rio Grande Neighborhood Association (RGNA)**, we are committed to ensuring that our neighborhood remains vibrant, livable, and inclusive for all residents. As the City of El Paso considers updates to its parking requirements, we welcome thoughtful reform that supports our housing needs, community-focused economic growth, and community well-being, and ask you to support proposed ordinance changes to remove parking minimums.

Parking minimums—long a part of our city's development code—are being re-evaluated in cities nationwide as communities rethink how land is used, how affordability is impacted, and how people commute. As the City Council considers changes, we see an opportunity to balance the need for parking with the need for flexibility, allowing businesses and housing developments to provide the parking they truly need without unnecessary cost burdens or space constraints. We support removing parking minimums and ask the City Council to vote in favor of removing parking minimums as stated in the proposed ordinance.