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Dear Mayor and City Council,

The Board of Directors of Downtown Lee's Summit Main Street is in support of the establishment of the Chapter 353 Redevelopment Plan for the Downtown Market Plaza project area. We believe this is an important next step to ensure the successful redevelopment of this area of downtown which has long been underdeveloped due to a need for significant public infrastructure improvements.

As a project that has evolved since the 2013 outdoor performance space bond initiative, the Downtown Market Plaza project has the transformational potential to create a world-class community gathering space. Such a project will be a source of civic pride for the community for generations to come.

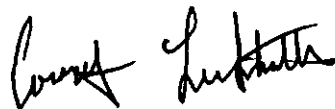
We are thankful for Mayor Baird's leadership in building the vision for this project beyond its humble beginnings. One of the priorities of our organization has been to develop a permanent home for the successful Downtown Lee's Summit Farmers Market as well as an outdoor performance space. The Downtown Market Plaza places the Market at the heart of the project as key activity for the overall development. The synergy created by the shared public spaces and private uses will build upon our already great downtown and create new opportunities for our community and visitors to come together.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this project

Yours Truly,



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