

Dear City of Austin Planning Commissioners:

I am writing to express my support for Foundation Communities' Parker Apartments project at 2105 Parker Lane, which will be discussed at the April 13 Planning Commission meeting. I have lived in the SRCC neighborhood since 2006 and have been very involved with the neighborhood, the SRCC neighborhood association, and efforts to bring more affordable housing to South Central Austin.

Foundation Communities is an excellent organization with a long track record of taking care of its communities and being a good neighbor. They are going to offer many valuable amenities to the neighborhood and will continue many of the same programs that were previously offered by the church. I know there are concerns from the near neighbors about traffic, access to parkland, etc. These concerns are important, and Foundation Communities has pledged to work with the neighborhood to address and mitigate them. They have promised to help with parkland improvement projects, to offer their amenities to everyone in the neighborhood, and to meet with neighbors during the planning process to maximize benefits and minimize disruption.

Austin needs more affordable housing. I urge you to support this project.

Thank you,

Gretchen Otto