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 Seattle Pacific University SAC Letter

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Councilmember Rob Johnson Chair, Planning, Land Use & Zoning Committee

Councilmember Johnson;

We, the undersigned members of the Standing Committee for Seattle Pacific University, send you this letter recommending that the Seattle City Council approve the University's proposed text amendment.

This issue was discussed in an open public meeting on Nov. 29.2018, and the SAC voted unanimously to write a letter in support of this action.

Both the broader Queen Anne community and the SAC have long encouraged the University to seek opportunities to grow northward, away from Queen Anne's residential neighborhoods to the south. Accordingly, we watched with approval as the University sold properties south of campus on Third Avenue West then purchased properties north of Nickerson.

We are pleased that the University has listened to our views and taken concrete steps toward implementing them, including this proposed comprehensive plan amendment. We encourage the City to support the University's efforts by approving these zoning changes which would allow SPU to propose: in it's next MIMP process, an MIO expansion into the industrial zones, which is currently prohibited by Code. We, therefore, encourage the Council to approve the proposed amendment.

Sincerely,

Seattle Pacific University Standing Citizens' Advisory Committee Darlene Hickman, Chair