

Leroy,

These comments are for the record regarding the Kendall Yards project.

As the City's Comprehensive Plan has a "pedestrians first" transportation policy, the City should require the developer to make every accommodation for pedestrians. The City should also design and create a pedestrian/bicycle network that will facilitate the use of the pedestrian facilities developed by Kendall Yards. Specifically, the City should

- 1) immediately connect the existing Centennial Trail in Riverside State Park to Riverfront Park
- 2) design and build a north-south spur of the Centennial Trail to at least the City Limits. Work with the County government to facilitate this trail to trails in County neighborhoods.
- 3) create trail a network based on the above framework that connects all neighborhoods to the Centennial trail and connects neighborhoods to shopping located in centers and corridors and to schools. Make this a dedicated trail network as often as possible to mimic the design of the Centennial Trail.
- 4) DO NOT allow the Engineering Services department to use Kendall Yards development as an excuse to create a vehicular couplet on North Monroe/North Lincoln. Such a couplet is a recipe for deterioration for both the North Monroe commercial corridor and the adjoining neighborhood. Couplet creation would be be contrary to City Comp Plan policy by facilitating vehicular traffic instead of pedestrian and non-motorized traffic.
- 5) Require Kendall Yards to include facilities for mass transit, including bus stops and light rail stops.
- 6) Require Kendall Yards to include facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists. This should include personal storage space for bicycles in each unit that would mimic the function that a garage provides for an automobile.
- 7) Limit the number of garage stalls to the number of bedrooms in any unit with an upper limit of two.

Thanks for this opportunity for comment on this project.

Richard Rush