

Petition in Support of "The Link" Development Project
265 Apartments · 2,000 SF Commercial Space · 400-Space Parking Garage
Proposed for Downtown Harrisonburg, Virginia

To: Harrisonburg City Council, Planning Commission, and City Officials

We, the undersigned residents, business owners, students, workers, and friends of Harrisonburg, strongly support the proposed development known as **The Link**—a project that includes:

- **265 residential apartments**
- **2,000 square feet of ground-floor commercial space**
- **A 400-space public/private structured parking garage**
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We believe The Link represents a thoughtful and forward-looking investment in our city's core that will contribute significantly to:

1. Downtown Revitalization:

The Link will bring hundreds of new residents into walking distance of downtown restaurants, retail shops, the arts district, and cultural venues. This increased foot traffic will support local businesses and enhance the economic vibrancy of the area.

2. Housing Opportunity & Urban Living:

The additional housing stock will provide much-needed rental options in Harrisonburg, especially for young professionals, university staff, and others seeking a modern, walkable lifestyle close to amenities and employment centers.

3. Improved Parking Access:

The inclusion of a 400-space structured parking garage will not only serve the residents and businesses of The Link, but also provide **valuable city parking** to support downtown events, shops, and tourism. Structured parking is a more efficient use of space than surface lots and contributes to a more pedestrian-friendly environment.

4. Smart Growth and Land Use:

By concentrating growth downtown, this project reduces urban sprawl, protects surrounding rural land, and aligns with the City's comprehensive plan goals of infill development and mixed-use growth. We urge City officials to **approve The Link** as a vital step toward creating a more inclusive, vibrant, and economically resilient downtown Harrisonburg.

Sign to show your support for The Link project.

THANK YOU!

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