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Dear Judiciary and Administration Committee,

I am writing in opposition to agenda item 24-0068 regarding the construction of a parking ramp for UWL. This project is not in line with the Climate Action Plan, the Transportation Vision Charette or the Comprehensive Plan, which have all called for either avoiding excess off-street parking and/or reducing vehicle miles traveled in favor of walking, biking and transit. Unless UWL commits to a cap on the existing amount of parking (thereby reducing surface parking to the same extent as this new parking ramp), this project should not be approved.

This project, if approved, would signal that the city is not truly committed to climate action. It would further hamper the ability of the MTU to provide quality service and our ability to provide basic street maintenance by putting more cars on the roads. Instead, the city must provide walkable, mixed-use neighborhoods where students can easily walk or bike to campus.

Thank you,
Samuel Deetz