

Town Center Master Plan Update

Parking Reduction Research

At the December 9 work session, the Mayor and Council requested a list of articles supporting the reduction or elimination of parking minimums and the impact that can have on housing affordability. The following list includes articles from sources explaining this trend, as well as case studies throughout the country that have benefitted from the reduction or elimination of parking requirements.

Articles:

- [U.S. cities are getting rid of parking minimums : NPR](#) (National Public Radio, 2024)
- [Parking minimums are a barrier to housing development - Smart Growth America](#) (Smart Growth America, 2024)
- [Open Letter: Abolish Parking Minimums - Providence Streets Coalition](#) (Providence Streets Coalition, 2024)
- [How Eliminating Parking Minimums Actually Makes Cities Better | Article | EESI](#) (Environmental and Energy Study Institute, 2021)
- [People Over Parking](#) (American Planning Association, 2018)
- [Hidden Costs and Deadweight Losses: Bundled Parking and Residential Rents in the Metropolitan United States](#) (C.J. Gabbe & Gregory Pierce, 2017)
 - This is a research study conducted that found that the inclusion of garage parking in multifamily buildings results in a 17% increase in rental rates. This study was specifically requested during the December 9 work session.

Case Studies:

- [Cambridge Eliminates Parking Minimums, Reduces Development Costs | Cato at Liberty Blog](#) (2022)
- [Montgomery County Moves to Eliminate Parking Mandates | Planetizen News](#) (2023)
- [Richmond Poised to Repeal Parking Minimums | Planetizen News](#) (2023)
- [Pittsburgh Mayor Proposes Zoning Changes to Curb Housing Shortage | Planetizen News](#) (2024)
- [Eliminate Parking Minimums - Propel ATL](#)
- [Eugene Ends Parking Minimums | Planetizen News](#) (2023)
- [Researchers Flaunt the Benefits of Reduced Minimum Parking Requirements | Planetizen News](#) (2020)
- [LA Parking Reform is Bearing Fruit | Planetizen News](#) (2024)