



Mayor Lisa Brown

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Dear Ms. Cameron,

Thank you for your letter. I am in full agreement with your statement that downtown is special. It is the heart of our city and is rich with history, culture, commerce, and potential. We share the same goals of activating our downtown core and enhancing public safety.

My team is continuing to execute downtown-focused initiatives that I believe strengthen our shared goals. Those include, but are not limited to:

- The CORE Program
- Increased bike and foot police patrols
- Introducing downtown's first neighborhood resource officer
- The Alcohol Impact Area and Community Health Impact Area
- Investments in downtown pedestrian safety
- Multiple initiatives to expand housing downtown
- Partnering with Downtown Spokane Partnership on expanded cleanup

After reviewing testimony from Monday's City Council meeting, it is clear that much of the public conversation around the H.O.M.E Starts Here ordinance package has been shaped in misinformation. I have attached a letter I recently sent the City Council to help clarify key points and address some of the myths that have emerged.

My team is carefully reviewing your requests about a hospitality district and developing some ideas of our own. I hope that we can meet soon to discuss these in more detail.

Thank you again for your engagement and ongoing commitment to downtown.

Sincerely,

Mayor Lisa Brown

A Better Way Starts Here

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