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I am very glad to see some progress on this; reversing the blight created by wrong-headed Urban Renewal projects of the 60's and 70's is always a good idea and should be a priority for public attention and dollars.

The re-development of this parcel should ideally include removal of the equally offensive and poor use of space at the strip mall in the south east corner of the intersection. Perhaps that can be incentivized without direct city involvement?

I believe the existing framework for re-development calls for essentially re-creating the business node that was destroyed at this intersection, utilizing higher density residential in conjunction with commercial space in a way that complements Lyn Lake and other adjacent areas. This is a welcome concept. Hopefully retail space can be targeted toward non-corporate retail as well.

Thank you for the progress you are making on this major project.

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