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Apologies for the late email on the matter, I will try to keep it as brief as possible. I am a resident of Corktown and specialize in restoration woodworking. I am excited that there is new development on empty lots in Corktown that seems to be taking an interest in doing things with some appreciation for the historical context. But to cut to the chase, for any remaining buildings to have survived this long is a truly remarkable thing. I support and look forward to the development but believe that alternatives need to be more fully explored regarding the parking garage that in its current form requires the demolition of the historic storage building. Building a structure taller, excavating deeper, otherwise incorporating it into the other buildings being developed. Once history is erased it cannot be put back, and it is impossible to see the broadest context of our actions until many years, sometimes lifetimes, after the fact. That's the burden of being on the front lines, thank you for your work.
-- Matt Sachse



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