



Council President Barb Johnson
Minneapolis City Council
350 S. 5th St., Room 307
Minneapolis, MN 55415

March 7, 2016

Dear Council President Johnson:

2020 Partners is a forum to facilitate the continuing transformation of a vital part of Minneapolis. For over a decade its mission has been to lay the foundation and attract investment for future development by knitting together communities and leveraging the assets of Target Field, the Minneapolis Farmers Market, transit and energy.

After working on the Target Center renovation for years, the City is on the verge of making it a reality. The Steering Committee and membership of The 2020 Partners ask for your support of the final renovation package. It is an important project for Minneapolis.

Target Center is much more than just a sports venue. It is a place for kids to watch Sesame Street Live and Disney on Ice. Dreams have been made in the building for countless of high school kids during the state tournaments. Fans of all ages flock to see their favorite performing artists there.

Investing in a building with so many uses that provides entertainment for so many different groups of people is a worthwhile cause. The variety and longevity of Target Center proves it is a valuable resource to Minneapolis. Thank you for your leadership on this issue and for looking to the future to maintain this important venue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "NICK KOCH".

Nick Koch, Chair
The 2020 Partners Steering Committee

cc: Minneapolis Mayor Betsy Hodges
Minneapolis City Council Members

The 2020 Partners membership includes the following stakeholders,
along with many individual participants:

Minnesota Twins Baseball Club	Minnesota Ballpark Authority	Minnesota Timberwolves Lynx
Target Corporation	Hines Interests	United Properties
CenterPoint Energy	Covanta Energy Corporation	NRG Energy Center Minneapolis
Fulton Brewing Company	Xcel Energy	HGA Architects & Engineers
North Loop Neighborhood Association	Downtown Minneapolis Neighborhood Association	Warehouse District Business Association