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Mill Street public parking efforts hit speedbump

The agreement between the Town of Vienna and Mill Street Development One, LLC to provide public parking spaces as part of a mixed industrial-commercial project at 223-241 Mill Street NE has been dissolved. In June, Town Council approved purchase of a second-floor condominium to provide 121 public parking spaces for \$4.6 million.

Recently, during the project study period, Mill Street Development One notified the Town that its original proposal was not economically feasible and proposed changes to the project, including removing the retail component, reducing the number of public parking spaces, and changing the building's architectural features. The Town and Mill Street Development One remain in discussions regarding an alternative parking layout and revised purchase price, but no new substantive proposal has been presented or formalized.

"We're disappointed that this private-public agreement to provide public parking spaces in Vienna's central business district has not panned out," says Town Manager Mercury Payton. "The Town remains committed to providing additional public parking in our commercial core in order to make the area a more convenient and accessible destination."

Town officials are continuing to explore additional parking partnership opportunities near Church Street and Maple Avenue.

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