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Parking lot project wastes money

Left out of the Aug. 30 article about local preservationists objecting to the city hall parking lot redesign were two important points.

First, compared to a mere repaving, the parking lot redesign will be costly with its new curbing and land-scaping. Second, the redesign loses five parking spaces. Yes, you read correctly, spaces will be lost. Admittedly, some people might find arguments about blocked sightlines to one of the city's Class 1 historic sites a bit esoteric.

However, every citizen must agree that it is a bad idea to spend money unnecessarily on a fundamentally flawed design. At a time when we are furloughing city employees every Friday, the city must look at every spending project with a critical eye.

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