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From: Daniel Eichholz
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2024 3:26 PM
To: Hadri, Cynthia
Subject: Case Number: C14-2023-0138 Proposed Zoning Change: Comprehensive Concerns from a Neighbor

Dear Ms. Hardri,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoys the vibrant atmosphere of our beloved community. As a fellow resident of Clarksville, I am writing to share some thoughts regarding the proposed zoning adjustment that has been the topic of recent discussion. It is my sincere hope that we can engage in open dialogue about this matter, as it holds significant implications for the future of our neighborhood.

Firstly, let me express my deep-seated reservations regarding the transition from SF-3-NP to MF-3-NP zoning. While I understand the need for development and progress, I am concerned about the potential consequences, particularly in relation to our traffic dynamics and emergency access.

Our neighborhood, characterized by its tree-lined streets and charming homes, is a haven for families and individuals alike. However, the prospect of this zoning alteration raises valid concerns about the impact on our already bustling traffic conditions. It is no secret that cars often traverse our streets at alarming speeds, seemingly indifferent to the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.

Moreover, the layout of our neighborhood presents a unique challenge when it comes to emergency access. With parked cars lining both sides of our narrow streets, the passage for emergency vehicles is often restricted, if not completely obstructed. This poses a serious risk to public safety and raises questions about our community's ability to respond effectively to emergencies. Tragically, recent incidents, such as the unfortunate accident involving a neighbor's pet, serve as poignant reminders of the potential consequences of inadequate emergency access.

In light of these concerns, I urge our community leaders to exercise caution and foresight in their deliberations on the proposed zoning change. While development is essential for the growth and vitality of our neighborhood, it must not come at the expense of safety and quality of life for residents. I implore decision-makers to consider alternative solutions and engage in meaningful consultation with residents to ensure that any changes align with our collective vision for Old West Austin.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my perspective on this important issue. I am optimistic that together, we can navigate this challenge and preserve the unique character and safety of our cherished neighborhood for generations to come.

Warmest regards,

Concerned Resident of Old West Austin/Clarksville

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