

May 10, 2022

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to reiterate previously stated concerns regarding the Villas III project, and I sincerely hope that you strongly consider requiring two very important changes to the project before moving forward. Please deny the Use Permit (UPA 21-001) that allows transient occupancy rentals for all the units and reevaluate the construction of units directly adjacent to San Joaquin Villas.

First, permitting nightly rentals in Villas III will undoubtedly change the neighborhood for the worse, and I ask that you deny this use permit. The majority of us residents of Joaquin Road and San Joaquin Villas are full-time residents. We respect our neighbors, their space, and our Town. I have never had a problem with noise or disruptive behavior from my neighbors. On the contrary, many folks that occupy nightly rentals do not exhibit the same respect. They are here for a much different purpose. It will not be the noise or the traffic from the locals on Joaquin Road or SJV that bothers the Villas III guests; it will be exactly the opposite. As a long-time local, I am again asking that you prioritize the locals, the people who keep this community afloat, over tourists and tax collection.

Second, please do everything in your power to minimize the impact on San Joaquin Villas residents. During the 'walkabout' held on Tuesday, May 10, I realized just how tremendously horrible the impact on them will be. Honestly, if I lived there, it would make me want to move, but we all know that there is nowhere to move to, so it would force me out of town. *Gone* is their yard. *Gone* is their view. *Gone* is their privacy. *Gone* is their peace. *Gone* are their *trees*. *Gone* is their sun and warmth. *Gone* is what they have enjoyed for so long. Instead, SJV residents will stare at walls. They will be forced to reckon with snow and ice for months into summer. They will be forced to 'enjoy' a BBQ on their deck whilst staring at the sides of massive buildings. They will be forced to live a life wishing that things were different. I hope that those who were present at the 'walkabout' realize how glaringly gross and detrimental this development is for them. I hope you can put yourselves in their shoes. As we have been saying throughout this plight, *we* are the locals who have made this our home. Please please please make this the least impactful as you can for them. *In fact, it would behoove you to deny the construction of the units that sit directly in front of them, regardless of financial loss.* Please, commissioners, speak up for and defend your local, hard-working residents who contribute to the economy and stability and community of this town and choose them over the developer and the money that you will collect from this project. The units adjacent to SJV should not be constructed.

Our list of requests is demanding, but feasible, and we will adamantly fight for what we believe is the right thing to do. This development is detrimental to those of us that have worked hard to make this town our home. **The transient occupancy permit must be denied and construction of units adjacent to SJV must be reevaluated. Again, we are fighting for our quality of life.** We locals should take precedence in this matter because we make this town run, we support this town all year long, year after year. *We* are the community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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