

Netto, Margaret

From: Linda Jacobsa <antilinda2@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 05, 2020 10:54 AM
To: jhickey@shhomes.com; Netto, Margaret
Subject: Removal of Heritage Trees

Hello,

I am writing to file my objection to the removal of 54 trees at the address of 1555 West Middlefield Rd. These trees are a part of the community and are essential for the health and happiness for all that live and work in the area; including the wildlife. I am in strong opposition of the removal and would like to be added to the notification list for meetings and hearings; my details are below.

Linda Jacobs
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Please let me know if I need to call the number given on the sign or if this email will suffice.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Best regards,
Linda

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Netto, Margaret

From: Enxun Wei weixunwei@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 1:31 AM
To: Netto, Margaret
Cc: Luyuan Lin
Subject: 1555 W Middlefield Road Comment

Hi Margaret,

We're the residents in San Marcos Cir near the proposed project. Thanks for making the development planning process open and transparent. We appreciate the work the city has been doing to [mitigate negative impact](#) of this project!

Per [this posting](#), we're sending over our comments after reviewing the [current project plan](#). In general we're happy to see the city and developers are working together to solve housing issues in the area. We see many good designs and positive considerations from the plan. To ensure a better residential neighborhood community, here are our concerns that we'd like to flag out, for your consideration.

1. Insufficient Guest / Overflow Parking

The project proposes 115 units. All of the units are 3 - 4 bedroom units where it is a very common practice that the future owner rent 1 to 3 bedrooms out (especially given the short distance from major employers such as Google). 43 units have tandem 2-car garages that are inconvenient to use.

However with those parking challenges, only 40 (35 + 5) guest / overflow parking spots are provided. I think the parking spaces are insufficient and it is very likely the residents' vehicles will overflow onto nearby single family streets such as San Marcos Cir and San Ramon Ct. Neighborhood outlook, traffic and safety are negatively impacted. Here are examples of some other communities as comparison.

- Arques Place By Summerhill Homes (617 E Arques Ave, Sunnyvale) provides 48 guest parking spots for 85 units.
- Found8tion by Taylor Morrison (301 Charles Morris Terrace, Sunnyvale) provides 36 for 66 units. I personally have lived there and parking overflow was still a big problem even with this ratio.

2. Insufficient Open Space & Park Area

From the current proposed site map, the community park looks small with respect to the size of the community and the land. It has smaller park area than the existing apartment community and the other Summerhill Homes project in the neighborhood (See the pictures in the bottom).

115 units on 5.44 acres is also a higher density than 2054 Montecito + 333 Rengstorff project (83 units on 1.72 + 2.78 = 4.5 acres land). A small park is much less useful than an appropriately sized one for the future resident in that community. The higher density also leads to a crowded feeling to the neighborhood.

Differently from a lot of other townhome development projects, this project is directly adjacent to a single family neighborhood and thus the density is more a problem if not planned properly.

Proposed plan:



Existing apartment at 1555 W Middlefield:



2054 Montecito + 333 Rengstorff: 83 units only with more park area



* = ADA UNIT



Regards,
Enxun & Luyuan