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I would like to add a comment regarding the development at 1265 Montecito Ave.

I live at [REDACTED] which is on the same block as the proposed development and I will be able to view the development from my town house. I also back up to the Midpeninsula ShoreBreeze Apartments at 460 Shoreline Blvd. and consider them to be good neighbors.

I feel the new development at 1265 Montecito Ave is a good location for additional apartments to be built. However, building them 5 stories tall is completely out of character with the rest of the community. There is a lot of apartment and townhome development in this immediate area and none of it is above 3 stories. 5 story construction also exceeds the height of the surrounding trees and there will be no way for the building to blend into the neighborhood. We will have 2 stories (4 and 5) rising above the tree line staring down at the surrounding residential neighborhood.

High rise with family units (multiple people per unit) means a lot of people. 85 units with 3, 4 or more people per unit is a lot of people for a modest size lot. Keeping the construction to 3 stories would still allow for 51 units of affordable housing to be built and would allow the buildings to better blend into the surrounding neighborhood.

Sincerely
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