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1662 Tudor Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

City Council Members
Ann Arbor City Hall
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Dear Council Members:

I am writing to protest the proposed housing complex proposed for the South Maple Road/Pauline area that you will be voting on at the January 7th meeting.

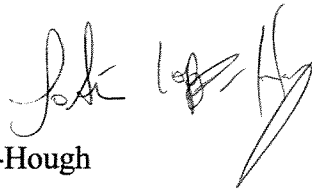
The complex is much too large for this neighborhood which at present consists of single family and low rise apartment/condo units. The unit is much too large for the site and the proposed height does not conform to city guidelines.

Most important is the effect on the water supply and water pressure problems in this neighborhood. At present, those of us who live near Maple Road have serious problems with inconsistent and low water pressure. A project of this immense size will only make the problem worse.

An additional problem will be the huge water run-off from a parking lot for over 400 cars. The grading of the property means that in addition to run off into Allen Creek there will be considerable run off onto Maple Road affecting traffic flow.

I urge you to deny this project based on the above factors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jose Lopez-Hough', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Jose Lopez-Hough

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580 South 7th Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

City Council Members
Ann Arbor City Hall
Fifth Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Dear Council Members:

We would like to protest the proposed 49 story student housing towers proposed for South Maple Road that you will be considering at the January 7th meeting.

Three towers at that height are much too large for that neighborhood of low rise buildings. The proposed height does not conform to city guidelines of high rises in the inner core of Ann Arbor and lower buildings on the outer areas. Presumably buildings of that height will also cause a wind tunnel effect similar to that at State and William Streets by University Towers.

Additional problems will be caused by the huge amount of water run-off from the 640 space impervious parking lot. Where will this water go?

Other concerns are greatly increased traffic in an already heavily traveled area, students with nothing to do and too far away from campus, presumably increased litter, and much more noise in a relatively quiet residential neighborhood.

This project certainly does nothing to aid the so-called "green" revolution in Ann Arbor and works actively against it.

We urge you to vote against this inappropriate construction.

Sincerely,


Carolyn and Raymond Hough

