From: Joan O'Connell <<u>joankoconnell@gmail.com</u>> Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2018 12:31 PM To: Planning <<u>Planning@a2gov.org</u>> Subject: Cottages at Barton Green

Dear Planning Commissioners:

By now, you have heard many reasons why the neighbors are opposed to the student housing plan as submitted by Trinitas.

• I urge you all to please turn this project away. "Just say no."

These are some of my concerns, as a near neighbor.

1. Traffic.

With respect, any study that shows there will be no impact on the traffic when you add 100's of vehicles to a development near the corner of DhuVarren and Pontiac Trail is faulty. Simple math: add 100's of vehicles = increase traffic.

Impacting safety, well-being, and **exasperation quotients** for both residents and commuters trying to get to wherever they are bound, AATA and school buses trying to stay on schedule.

• Can you not perceive that the neighbors are *against* this project? Could you please vote with the current, taxpaying AA residents well-being in mind? Thank you.

Traffic on Pontiac Trail is already challenging for residents attempting to leave or enter our neighborhood during peak travel times. And they haven't yet finished North Sky.

2. **NOISE** - one can anticipate that young residents of the proposed housing project will create noise, likely into the night, while residents and children are attempting to sleep or have a "quiet evening at home." Will increase calls to our AAPD for noise violations.

• Is this what the city of AA Planners want for a long-established mixed demography residential neighborhood? The STEAM school catchment area?

3. **Infrastructure:** I hear that our city's infrastructure (roads, sewers) is old, sometimes decrepit. How will adding 700-ish living units on one hill beside the also brand new North Sky development contribute to sustaining the infrastructure until we can budget to fix it?

I anticipate serious overloading of the system. Who will deal with that when it happens? Trinitas?

4. I'm thinking: **possibly cheaply-built housing; maximum rents.** Ugh.

5. Student housing? Way out here? Why?

6. What if the grand plan doesn't work? Then what do you have? Who will buy it?

Please consider carefully the current residents' strong objections to the project as you vote, as our representatives, for the good of the city of AA.

Thank you, Joan K. O'Connell 311 Manor Dr

Living on the North side since 1973.