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Sent: Sunday, May 25, 2014 10:39 AM
To: Planning
Subject: Concerns Regarding Special Exception at 1919 Wayne Street

To the staff of the Ann Arbor Planning and Development Services,

We are writing in response to the notifications we received regarding an exception being sought for the property located at 1919 Wayne Street. We have several concerns with respect to this exception and the integration of non-single family housing in our neighborhood:

1. We purchased our home in September 2013 based on the fact that it was located in a quiet family-based residential neighborhood and perceive a potential negative impact on the re-sale value of homes in this location if non-single-family housing is incorporated.
2. While the initial proposed use of the property will not entail any modifications to the exterior as indicated in the notification, we have concerns regarding maintenance of the home and noise. While we recognize a potential for anyone moving into the home to fail to maintain exterior appearance and create noisy disturbances, we perceive an increased risk for lack of upkeep and noise with inhabitants not directly owning the home based on observations of local fraternities and sororities. Furthermore, we are concerned regarding modifications to the *interior* of the home that would discourage future sales to single families.
3. We have concerns regarding the number of people that will inhabit the dwelling as well as street parking. The residence at 1919 Wayne Street does not have garage parking for more than 2 cars. We do not wish to have vehicles parked up and down our street, which currently requires a residential parking permit.
4. We find it difficult to believe that 6 members of the Ann Arbor Jesuit Community studying at the University would qualify as fulfilling the requirements of having a permanent and distinct relationship functionally equivalent to a family and worry about the precedence that would be set if a non-single family purchased 1919 Wayne Street.

As we understand it, the purpose of the existing zoning law is to protect us and our neighbors from the concerns above and to encourage the preservation and the continuation of the longstanding residential fabric in existing neighborhoods of predominantly one-family dwellings. We sincerely hope our concerns are taken into consideration and the decision to make an exception is not taken lightly. If you could kindly confirm receipt of this email we would sincerely appreciate it.

Thank you,

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