

Bowden (King), Anissa

From: St. John, Jill
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 9:18 AM
To: Bowden (King), Anissa
Cc: Thacher, Jill A.S.; Pulcipher, Connie; Foondle, Laurie
Subject: Email for CC members re: City Place PUD Proposal

Anissa: Below is an email regarding the City Place PUD (PUD Zoning and PUD Site Plan). It's going to CC for second reading on the PUD Zoning and final action on the Site Plan at the Jan 5 CC Mtg. Please forward to CC or include in that Council Packet. Thanks! Jill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Marianne Lembfeld [<mailto:mariannelembfeld@sbcglobal.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2008 4:18 PM
To: Planning
Subject: Demolition of 7 houses on S 5th Ave
Importance: High

Good afternoon,

I wanted to write you to protest against any demolitions of older homes in the downtown district of Ann Arbor.

I think it is in the interest of the city of Ann Arbor to preserve some of the small-town character it still has. Small houses contribute to this character. More highrises or parking structures are not good for downtown.

Downtown would become even more unharmonic as it already is, as far as the architectural picture of the area is concerned.

Thank you,

Marianne Lembfeld
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From: St. John, Jill
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 2:04 PM
To: Bowden (King), Anissa
Subject: Email re: City Place for CC

Anissa: Below is another email regarding the City Place PUD going to CC on Jan 5. Please forward to CC or include it in the CC packet. Thanks! Jill

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From: Thacher, Jill A.S.
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 12:33 PM
To: St. John, Jill
Subject: FW:

Hi Jill, another letter to send out to PC and CPC. Thanks.

From: lrwalker@provide.net [mailto:lrwalker@provide.net]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 11:12 AM
To: Thacher, Jill A.S.
Subject:

To the Planning Commission,

I wish to add my voice to those opposed to the proposal to create "City Place" a project that calls for the destruction of seven of Ann Arbor's classic housing stock on South Fifth.

The neighborhood bounded by the campus, Hill, Main and William needs a comprehensive plan. To chop it up piecemeal is to destroy everything that the historical commission and planning commission have tried to achieve--to create and maintain a city with a master plan that takes into account the growth of the city, its historical treasures and its beauty.

It is especially distressing that this proposed incursion into one of the city's classic neighborhoods would also mean the destruction of grass, flowers, bushes and trees. These are not frivolous concerns, because green space nurtures wildlife as well as the senses. We have lost so many trees in the city, that to willfully cut down any more seems a crime.

I am also outraged than a private person can buy up property, fail to maintain it, then claim that it is worthless and must be torn down to make way for a cash cow for himself. This is no way to run a city

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or direct its future.

Any dense construction on that street will create congestion near the public library and add noise, garbage and disorder to a quiet neighborhood.

Please turn down the proposal for "City Place." Please maintain the integrity of the neighborhood. Please develop a comprehensive plan for that historical area that will protect it against this and future proposed incursions.

Thank you.

Linda Walker

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