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In every conquest there are winners and losers. Such is the case of the push to move forward with the CLUP. The winners will be the developers, the special interest groups and future residents of Ann Arbor for whom the current residents will be expected to alter their expectations of living here. The losers will be the single family home owners whose values of home ownership seem not to align with the utopian vision put forth in the CLUP. Is this the result of voices not being heard as well as not being given a chance to be heard?

After all this time, I am surprised if not aghast at the number of people who still are not familiar with this plan. A plan that will significantly alter home ownership as we know it. Was due diligence truly given for public engagement from the onset? I dare say not. Is it now too little too late?

As a city, our elected and volunteer officials have the moral obligation to cause no harm to its citizenry. I see a potential threat with this plan to the lower and middle class residents and even more so to our senior citizens and retirees. Displacement will occur as our neighborhoods are developed. The financial consequences may be burdensome and devastating for our residents. How is this equitable?

I am particularly concerned with my area in Lowertown; Wright St., Kellogg, Longshore, Swift, Howley Court. I live on the west side of Wright St. which is designated Residential/Transition. Transition for this small area will be devastating in respect to all areas of concern.

It's a story as old as time itself...History repeating itself.

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