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Dear Sir Or Ms:

I am against allowing for taller buildings in neighborhoods, such as near Leslie Science & Nature Center. People chose to live in single family home neighborhood for a variety of reasons - otherwise they would chose a more urban city or downtown. Some people want more privacy, their own garden, and to not have to pay HOA fees. The University of Michigan should be in the conversation of affordable housing.

Additionally, the City needs to reform property taxes so seniors don't get hit with uncapping when they are ready to downsize, making their home available to a younger family.

Priorities should include:

Property tax reform, respect for large trees/natural features & green spaces, preventing HOA fees from exploding throughout the city (when the developer does the "Handover" to the residents), maintain the character of neighborhoods, limits on lot aggregation, increased city beautification efforts, not turning Ann Arbor into a developer's paradise.

Thank you