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I am emailing my concerns over the new land use plan, since I am unable to attend the Planning meeting tonight. I am very concerned.

22 years ago I moved to Ann Arbor. The selling points to me were the school system, beautiful and plentiful parks, the small town neighborhood feel within a Big 10 college town, and safety.

The new land use plan will begin to decimate much of that. I do not support the destruction of loved city parks for more housing. That just is a slap in the face to the people who came before you and planned for those important green spaces. Ann Arbor is becoming a concrete jungle, and eliminating parks for more of that is really disturbing to me and everyone that I know who lives here.

I am also fearing for the end of the small town neighborhoods within the city. I live on a street with sidewalks and trees and walkable access to 2 parks. I walk my dog here, taught my kids to ride bikes, to rollerblade, to walk back and forth to the parks with their friends, and to know their neighbors. We work in our yards and all of us who have dogs know each other. This will all change with large density structures potentially being built in what was a small and peaceful neighborhood. Large scale apartment buildings bring more traffic, a loss of street parking, and no way to know your neighbors or to feel safe knowing who lives in each house.

Apartment buildings and high rises have a necessary place in this world, just not in small single family neighborhoods. Create a new neighborhood solely focusing on apartment living. Do not do it in our small neighborhoods.

Thank you-

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