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Dear Brett,

At tonight's planning commission meeting, you mentioned a committee that had been put together to do something with respect to the comprehensive plan. And that committee proved ineffective and did not meet. What types of individuals were on that committee, as in what types of city stakeholders were represented, how many individuals were on the committee, and what were the accountability measures in place to ensure they fulfilled their mission?

I would also like to reiterate the overwhelming sentiment that you heard tonight from RESIDENTS - the public engagement for the comprehensive plan has been INADEQUATE and the planning committee needs to take a step back and make deliberate and intentional efforts to engage with city residents. As someone so eloquently stated, WE ARE THE CITY. Regarding the assertion that the neighborhood associations were notified about the comprehensive plan, that notification must have been ineffective at best, in light of all the neighborhood groups represented at tonight's meeting that had only recently been made aware of the comprehensive plan.

Furthermore, if, as clarified at the end of the public comment, there is not yet a plan, then what will our councilmembers be presenting to us at the Lower Burns Park neighborhood meeting in early April? I have to say it feels like wordplay at best to say that all we have are slides, but no actual plan ... Then what the slides intended to convey? The outline of the plan? That sounds like a plan to me. And I think we're all intelligent enough to understand that while there may not be a hard copy plan, there is definitely a plan underway. Please don't treat us like we're stupid.

Which, speaking of, I'd like to echo the sentiment expressed about the bias of the planning committee. Chairman Woowon Lee was not present tonight, but I received a LinkedIn notification that he posted on LinkedIn announcing: "Excited to announce that I've been honored by CoStar as a 2024 CoStar Power Broker for achieving the top-10 highest office transaction volume in the Detroit / Ann Arbor, MI." CoStar Power Broker awards recognize commercial real estate's top brokers and firms in the US and Canada. While this sounds like a great achievement, I certainly hope it means he recuses himself from anything having to do with the comprehensive plan as this plan is a gift to the development committee, of which he is apparently quite a successful member.

I'm not someone who normally gets involved in city matters - I pay attention to issues, I vote and then I trust the people I vote to do their jobs. This entire episode has caused me to lose complete faith in

the ethics and transparency of Ann Arbor's elected officials and its city administrators. PLEASE DO BETTER.

-Linda Dabrowski

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(the resident who shared the story of the elderly woman TERRIFIED in her own home, an episode that I hope haunts you as much as it haunts me)