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From: ida copeland
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2025 6:38 AM
To: Harvey Amoe
Cc: Lenart, Brett <BLenart@a2gov.org>; Liberty Oaks; Planning <Planning@a2gov.org>; City Council
<CityCouncil@a2gov.org>
Subject: Re: {A2LibertyOaks:} Comprehensive Plan

Well put! I agree that we need more affordable housing and that the university should shoulder some of the tax base. Ida 670 Boston ct

On May 15, 2025, at 12:43 PM, Harvey Amoe wrote:

My wife and I are opposed to the proposed plan to add high rise, 4 story housing units, to be allowed in what are now single family residence zones. There is no part of the plan that allows for low cost housing in these units, which is very needed in the city. It appears that leaving the housing at "fair market value", will lead to continued unaffordable housing in the future of the city. The city should instead press the Michigan Legislature to allow Ann Arbor to put a reasonable tax on University of Michigan property. The fact that the University gobbles up all the available land it can, rather than allowing private redevelopment of private parcels which would then add additional tax revenue is becoming unconscionable. This is causing increasing property taxes and forcing individuals to be forced to sell their properties and move out of the city. Individual property owners can not continue to be the major source of city revenue, when the University is occupying more and more land within the city.

Sincerely, Harvey and Mary Amoe

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