

From: Jane Pollock
Sent: Sunday, July 23, 2017 4:34 PM
To: Planning <Planning@a2gov.org>
Subject: Homeowner near proposed COTTAGES at BARTON GREEN

Dear Planning Commission Members,

My name is Jane Pollock. I have lived at 549 Skydale A2 for 24 years. The Cottages at Barton Green will be approximately 40 feet from my property line.

There are many reasons why this TRANSIENT student housing project (716 rooms with 566 parking spaces) is an inappropriate fit for this community. I will only mention a few.

Pontiac Trail is a 2 lane road. Traffic is already heavy and often dangerous when we try to exit out of Skydale. Cars are traveling too fast on this road. There are many children that walk to Northside elementary. There will be more buses taking students to campus and these students will be using their cars to pick up food, and other supplies. There is no area within walking distance. There will also be the added traffic from North Sky.

For me the biggest issue is that Ann Arbor continues to price out the "worker bees" of this community. We need affordable housing to keep us balanced. I have worked at St. Joes Mercy hospital for 28 years. For 33 years I have been supporting (only a small sample) UMS, the Ark, Food Gathers, Michigan Theater, Peaceable Kingdom, Bushes & my 3 kids went to the public schools here. I am that worker bee. I have a lot invested in this community. Why is it ok to continually push us out of our community?

The afore mentioned property would be better suited for a mix of residents. I honestly do not think any of you would approve this project if your neighborhood was next door.

Huron Highlands is a wonderful mix of families, retirees, students, young couples. Many of us have been supporting Ann Arbor for years. We welcome more of us. Seven hundred sixteen, 18-24 year old students just does not make sense in this community.

Thank you for your time. I know you have an incredibly important job. Please, just listen to our concerns.

Sincerely,

Jane Pollock

Sent from my iPad