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Subject: Village of Ann Arbor Site Plan

Dear Planning Commissioners,

It has recently come to my attention that Robertson Brothers, a home builder, is proposing to build 561 new homes and apartments on 65 acres at Dhu Varren and Pontiac Trail. I think it is important that those homes are built in accordance with A2Zero and City guidelines to reach carbon neutrality by 2030. If these homes are powered by gas, that ignores the City and A2Zero guidelines; it locks in fossil fuel use for the rest of the century in these homes. Instead, I believe that the energy in these new homes and apartments should be based on electrification, either via air source heat pumps or geothermal. We don't need to invest in continuing to use fossil fuels for our energy sources. We need to use non-fossil fuel sources as we prepare for a future with a healthy climate, not one that is doomed by the continued dependence on fossil fuels.

This large scale building project is a tremendous opportunity to put our values to the test by getting this large building project to use renewable sources of energy from its inception. We have to take the climate crisis seriously and this would be a tremendous step forward in doing that.

Please make acceptance of this project contingent on using renewable energy sources.

Thank you very much for considering this request!

Most Sincerely,  
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