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Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

I have recently heard about the new processes being proposed to "streamline" the proposal process for new development, and am appalled. Look around the city: do developers seem at a disadvantage? The city is unrecognizable from even 10 years ago, thanks to the advantages that developers have over the desires of the citizenry.

Of course, the irony is that all along the citizenry has had little impact on decisions! But to deny us even the proper opportunity to review plans and speak to your board in a timely manner is, as I said an appalling proposal.

I particularly reacted to the line that the new measures "are intended to alleviate any undue burden on the land developments that may be caused by city inefficiency." Yes, democracy is inefficient. And those poor developers, burdened by having to interact with the public in a timely manner.

Please do not institute these new measures.

Thank you,

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