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From: Tresa Mariotto <mariocart85@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 8:54 AM
To: G.Proj.City View; MY - mayorsoffice@cob.org; CC - Shared Department
Subject: Thank you

I wanted to thank you for ruining our neighborhood. Four more houses have been put up for sale, the garbage from existing renters vacating apartment continues to pile up and for rent and lease sign are appearing on a daily basis. The crater in the earth has displaced wildlife and filled the air with smoke and debris and will soon be the home for another apartment high rise on Elwood.

Neighbors who once took pride in their homes, have tended their yards and mended roofs and fences preparing to leave. We will soon join them. Your greed and disregard for our neighborhood has won. You have failed us and you should be ashamed. You all should be ashamed.

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From: noreply@cob.org on behalf of City of Bellingham <noreply@cob.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 2:49 AM
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Subject: Public Comment -Erik Bernhoft
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Public Comment

Entry Details

NAME	Erik Bernhoft
CHOOSE TOPIC	CityView Project
COMMENT	<p>To the Officials at the City of Bellingham,</p> <p>As a resident of the Puget neighborhood, I'm absolutely appalled at the scope and size of the proposed Cityview Project. I have written you repeatedly expressing strong opposition to this project as it is currently proposed on the grounds of it being: inappropriately placed, out of character, disproportionately dense, and placing undue strain on fragile neighborhood roads.</p> <p>I'd like to take a moment to focus on that last bullet point: Undue strain on small roads in a family neighborhood:</p> <p>Morgan Bartlett, a ruthless, profit-centric, developer, has completed a flawed traffic study of the area in support of his proposed cash-cow dormitory project. The study was completed during the summer months, likely intentionally as to promote his cause, in the absence of any student presence in the Samsish and Puget neighborhoods. This contrived study grossly underestimates the traffic in and around</p>

the streets of Nevada and Consolidation. I call in to question it's validity.

Furthermore, another recent application for project less than 1000ft away from Cityview has been submitted at 913 Nevada St for yet another 37-unit townhouse complex with roadway access only back to Nevada St. Either project alone would over-tax the fragile neighborhood streets of Nevada and Consolidation. Together, they will catastrophically impact the Puget neighborhood and Nevada St and Consolidation Ave.

I implore you to not rubber stamp an intentionally flawed, now outdated, and irrelevant traffic study and instead listen to the residents who drives those roadways every single day: These roads are already unsafe!

Regarding Nevada St: The City of Bellingham felt it necessary, for an indication unclear to me, to install traffic control devices that impinge into Nevada Street at several locations and wildly truncate traffic. These control devices force opposing cars to come uncomfortably close to one another, risking a head on collision. In the event of a successful Cityview proposal and the dramatic increase in traffic on this fragile road, the likelihood of a future collision is considerable.

Regarding Consolidation Ave: Consolidation Ave is a narrow 2-lane neighborhood street at baseline and is routinely lined with parked cars that impinge into traffic and force opposing cars to come uncomfortably close to one another. This already represents a major hazard at current utilization levels. I, personally, feel uncomfortable driving large vehicles down this hill at its current traffic levels for fear of coming dangerously close to opposing vehicles. Increasing traffic by hundreds of cars daily on this street if Morgan Bartlett's inappropriately scaled paycheck palace is approved, will further increase that risk of future motor vehicle accidents.

I demand that a non-biased review be re-evaluated during a time when Western Washington University is in session to accurately reflect the college student residents of the neighborhoods. Furthermore, If Cityview was approved, I strongly believe that traffic lights would be needed (and are already so) at the intersections of Nevada St and Lakeway Ave but also at the intersection of East Maple (where

Consolidation Ave ultimately leads) and Lincoln St.

Morgan Bartlett's Cityview proposal is an assault on the Puget neighborhood. It's out of character, it's inappropriately sized, and the addition of the hundreds of cars that it adds to my neighborhood is unsafe.

Deny the Cityview proposal.

-Erik Bernhoft

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