Upcoming meeting August 9th- Rezoning C22-039

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Hello,
My name is Shane McDonough and I am a teacher at Moreland Middle School in West San Jose. My husband (also a teacher) and I are fortunate to rent in the neighborhood we serve and live at 1299 San Tomas Aquino Rd. We recently received a notice about file No. C22-039 which states the parcel of land where we rent is going to be rezoned from a residential zoning to a "commercial pedestrian" zoning. This is confusing for myself and my neighbors as "Commercial pedestrian" zoning is not clearly defined on the San Jose city website and in the memorandum for the upcoming city council meeting.

I am writing because on the agenda for the meeting it states that "There will be no separate discussion of Land Use Consent Calendar" unless "a member of the City Council requests discussion on a particular item". I urge the city council members to reconsider this planned rezoning.

If "commecial pedestrian" means what I think it means, I fail to see how such a rezoning would serve our community. I am concerned that the property I rent at, which serves many moreland families, is being rezoned to pave the way for redevelopment of the area in the near future. This would displace many morelabd families and further gentrify a neighborhood that is already seeing housing prices skyrocket. Each year more and more families move out of district due to how unaffordable the bay area is becoming. Rezoning this pocket of San Jose will have devastating effects on our community and push out those who are already struggling.

Thank you for any clarification you are able to provide.

-Shane McDonough

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Opposition to Rezoning of Saratoga Ave from Doyle Road to just south of Country Lane Road

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We, the concerned neighbors in the Country Lane Neighborhood, object to the rezoning proposed in Files No. C22-037 and C22-039.

We strongly oppose the rezoning of existing residential housing from R-M to MUN or CP, and recommend “no” rezoning.

The new zone opens the doors to allow arcades, liquor shops, retail stores, hotels up to 75 rooms, and for the CP rezoned area, ambulance services, casinos, pawn shops, dance halls and more. This is not fitting to have so close to our homes. The CP zoning allows for zero setback!

The current structures are already dense housing and this will only get worse if the rezoning proposal is passed, which allows up to 4 story buildings up to 50 feet tall to be built.

This causes

- loss of natural sunlight to neighboring houses, which infringes on our solar rights
- loss of view of the sky and greenery when blocked by tall structures
- increase of traffic in a narrow stretch that runs directly along people’s backyards

The new zone would exacerbate

- the scarcity of parking in that region which currently already spills into the nearby streets
- noise pollution that is certain to emanate from future businesses. The allowed decibel level of the proposal is 60 dB, where permanent hearing loss can occur with 70 dB of prolonged exposure.
- light pollution from closeby businesses
- crime attracted by businesses such as liquor stores, bars, and restaurants

The new zoning along with nearby Costco plans and high density housing, would over-stress and destroy the peace and quiet of our neighborhood with businesses and clientele which congregate and commune outside. The rezoning is highly inappropriate and will destroy the character of the Country Lane neighborhood abutting the newly zoned areas.

Neighborhood citizens are increasingly frustrated and disappointed with San Jose’s decisions to increase property tax revenue at the expense of the quality of life of the current residents. We urge the council members to vote “no” on this proposal on behalf of the voting members.

Petition against Saratoga Ave Rezoning near Country Lane Neighborhood

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