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From: Jeanette Coffin
Sent: Friday, February 26, 2021 9:13 AM
To: Claire Horne
Cc: Colleen Willger; Judy Johnson; Dwight Bassett; Allen Buansi; Amy Ryan; Hongbin Gu; Jeanne Brown; Jess Anderson; Karen Stegman; Michael Parker; Pam Hemminger; Shakera Vaughan; Tai Huynh; Amy Harvey; Ann Anderson; Carolyn Worsley; Flo Miller; Laura Selmer; Mary Jane Nirdlinger; Maurice Jones; Rae Buckley; Ran Northam; Ross Tompkins; Sabrina Oliver
Subject: RE: S Col St Annex

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Again, thank you for your message.

Sincerely,

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From: Claire Horne [mailto:mclairehorne@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 26, 2021 7:55 AM
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Subject: S Col St Annex

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Hello Mayor and Council,

I'm a little late submitting comments re: the 2/24 hearing on the Annex but I know you'll read these comments even if they can't be added to the record.

As this project moves forward, please consider four things:

1. pedestrian and biker safety and what can be done to maximize, given the complicated intersection that this project is located on

2. Purefoy Road left turn onto S. Columbia and what can be done to maximize safety and provide better access for Purefoy residents

3. safer bike and pedestrian connections from S. Columbia Street south, with the high-traffic bridge and narrow sidewalks not being ideal for pedestrians and bikers crossing 15-501

4. bus stop locations and maintaining bus stops close to Merritt's and the Annex

I'd also like to see the developer commit to never petitioning the town to convert this property to rental. The stream and land use plan at the property seems to hinge on the Homeowner's Association (at least from what I saw presented before the 2/24 meeting). It's important to maintain the 8 units of affordable housing as condos (as I'm not sure how those 8 affordable units would continue to work if converted to rental).

Thanks for your consideration.

Best,
Claire Horne
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Chapel Hill NC

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From: Jeanette Coffin
Sent: Monday, March 01, 2021 12:08 PM
To: Alyson West
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From: Alyson West [mailto:alyson.west@gmail.com]
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Subject: in favor of South Columbia Street Annex

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Dear Mayor and Town Council,

I am a Carrboro resident writing in favor of the South Columbia Street Annex.

This is exactly the type of development that Chapel Hill needs, affordable, accessible housing on the future BRT line.

I'd also like to point out that some comments made in the public meeting / Town Council meeting on February 24th around the development being 'dangerous' are misguided. Of course, the demand for walking and biking will continue to increase in Chapel Hill, and this is a goal of the Town and the region overall. More

specifically, the number of people biking and walking should grow along the entire BRT corridor, and appropriate pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure, plus speed management and traffic calming, should be (is being?) prioritized along the entire BRT route.

The 'danger' on the stretch of road in question comes not from the development itself but from single occupant motor vehicles and other vehicles such as delivery vans, etc, and the two ways to mitigate that is through (a) better road design, for example, traffic calming as mentioned above, and, (b) more importantly, through a reduction in the overall traffic volume, which requires strategies for enabling residents to move away from reliance on motor vehicles in Chapel Hill and Carrboro.

This is to say that the development itself is not 'dangerous', but rather, the presence of such a development, where people may choose to live car-free or car-lite, and will depend less on their cars for every trip, is one component of actually reducing the total number of cars on the road, and ultimately reducing the threat of motor vehicle/pedestrian/bicyclist crashes in Chapel Hill.

all the best

Alyson