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City of Pomona Mayor and City Council -

I am compelled, yet again, to voice my deep dissatisfaction and frustration with the recent approval of the four-story apartment complex at the intersection of Garey Avenue and Grove Street. While I don't mind additional housing and understand the need for it, I fail to see the due diligence the should have been expended to make this effort more acceptable to the existing residents that are impacted by this project, rather than appeasing the builder and their desires. It is extremely concerning that the City has approved this plan with an emphasis on providing a small number of units for low-income housing to assist renters, and ignoring the needs and best interests of actual property owners.

According to Miranda Sheffield at the last City Council meeting, the City of Pomona has a 60% renters rate compared to a 40% property owner rate, yet the City continues to cater to renters and focus on bringing more renters into the city, without any consideration to those of us that pay property taxes and are vested in the city. Renters come and go (not all, I understand that) and will move on to another city without a care. They are not concerned with things like property values and impacts that things like traffic, parking and congestion have to it.

With the unmitigated plans for the subject apartment complex, the City plans to filter all residents from the new apartment complex onto two small side streets without any consideration for the impacts on traffic in our quiet single-family home residential community. Adding more than 600 cars (likely closer to 800) to the immediate area while only accommodating around 400 parking spots impacts not only parking but also the throughput of traffic through our neighborhood to get to the 210 Freeway or down to the 10 Freeway. There are already four large apartment complexes on that block, with an additional small complex across the street on Garey Avenue and a big condo complex across Grove Avenue, and there is already nowhere for these existing tenants to park. Adding additional cars is outrageous when the apartment complex is only addressing 1.4 cars per unit, which we are all very well aware will not suffice. The rent for those apartments, if keeping on par with The Gabriel right down the street at ~\$3,500 per month does not really allow for a single resident in a unit, or potentially even two, both of whom would have a car (in the best case scenario.)

Blocking all exits onto Garey Avenue due to the elevation issues they are facing, along with the park they included to make it aesthetically pleasing, is unacceptable. Quite frankly, no one but the homeless and drug users will utilize that park, increasing crime in our area with a nice manicured place for them to carry on. Because of this design, I am requesting approval to block Grove Street at the wash will help mitigate the traffic issue, and establishing and requiring a parking permit for our single-family home community to help prevent all of these cars from trickling into our neighborhood, seeking somewhere to leave their car and finding the fastest way to a freeway. We pride ourselves on our little gem within Pomona and do not want to see it diminished to a racetrack or parking lot like so much of Pomona has become. I have said it before and will reiterate this point – it is your responsibility, as the elected governing body of the City to represent and protect your constituents. While it is important to pay attention to all city residents, stop focusing solely on renters and rental property and give the property owners/residents your focus for a minute and do what is best for us. Support us!

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your decision to comply with the community requests of a street blockade and permitted parking.

Kathie Naish Conaway Cell 909-762-9939 Privacy Notice

From: **DevServicesComments** To: Jimenez, Alex Subject: FW: Cc public comments 8-05-2024 Date: Monday, July 29, 2024 11:20:45 AM ----Original Message-----From: Newsoz@mail.com <Newsoz@mail.com> Sent: Sunday, July 28, 2024 9:51 PM To: DevServicesComments <DevServicesComments@pomonaca.gov> Subject: Cc public comments 8-05-2024 CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or on clicking links from unknown senders. Not in favor or the 4 story apartment complex on Garey near Foothill. Problems: Increase in traffic. Not sufficient parking. Over crowded services. Parking issues already spilling into adjacent neighborhoods. Solutions: Make sufficient parking 2.5 spots per unit.

Permanent barriers across Grove St. and the Thompson Creek Trail at the wash.

Probably need 2 and some 3 story units (not 4).

Figure out which city council members benefited financially from approving this project and prosecute them.

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