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Councillors,

I am writing to express my concern about the variance request for 1177 Foothills Blvd. I support the building of a seniors' housing project, but it should be a building that is appropriate to the site.

The developer will have known the restrictions on the property when they bought it but persist in trying to build a larger facility than will actually fit on the site. They presumably have a back-up design that fits the site or they wouldn't have bought the awkward lot.

Traffic is already challenging along that section of Foothills Blvd with reduced visibility due to the rise in the road north of the intersection with Cranbrook Hill Rd. The new building must have adequate parking since on-street parking on Foothills cannot be an option. To argue that a building designed for seniors needs less parking seems illogical since many residents will still drive and those who don't will have frequent family and caregiver visitors who will require parking.

With regard to set-back, there is no reason that the developer shouldn't have to follow the same rules as everyone else. At this site set-back seems particularly important given traffic visibility concerns in that area.

Sincerely,

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