

I am writing to voice my extreme disappointment on the way this entire situation has been handled regarding the neighborhood's input. The first and second readings were in August—nothing said to the neighborhood. Yes there were zoom meetings offered in December (3 months after the readings). The reason given was that there was an election held. That was in October. Why couldn't we have been made aware before that? What wasn't recognized is there is a large part of the neighborhood that are not exactly 'tech savvy'—they have no way to get on a zoom meeting and due to covid can't go to a neighbor's house to join the meeting. There was no attempt to do anything else for these people. These people signed petitions stating their opposition but these petitions were never brought up or acknowledged at the zoom meetings. The brochure we received today would lead one to believe the neighborhood is in total acceptance of this project. This could not be farther from the truth. A few of us polled the neighborhood with a petition and this told us the opposite. The gist of this is if we had input from the beginning regarding size of building, use of building and tenants of building right from the start we would feel better about this. For example, we all would be more accepting if the building fit in our neighborhood maybe 3 duplexes or 3 large ranchers etc. As it stands right now I feel that this was decided a long time ago and there are no ****s given regarding the people of this neighborhood. I also feel this is more about money for the church, the contractor, and the city than it is about helping the women and children they claim to have as their chief concern. I am embarrassed for all of you that are involved in this charade.

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