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Greetings Historic Preservation Officers and Commissioners:

I am a resident of the presidential neighborhood and live on Lincoln Avenue, I find myself very concerned with the application to build more homes at the 57 Lincoln Avenue property.

The idea of putting more NEW homes on the lots deface the Historic Values of our area and community.

Not only building new homes, but they will also never fit historically with the current home there now.

Disturbing the ground will further destabilize the side of the Mountain with all the heavy machinery being used to dig deep into the ground, tearing out all the trees and bushes around and about the lots. Also, the disruption will cause the destabilizing of the foundations of the homes above and below the site property.

It will also affect the other homes even further up and down the street. It will not matter if there are retaining walls put on each side of the property lines, damage will be done, and we will get left with the bill to fix our broken homes.

Let's not forget that all of us neighbors will be having to deal with the Increased Noise levels of construction for months on end, including the further destruction of our Street due to the heavy equipment going up and down the street and equipment left sitting on the streets till in use. Our street is bad enough at the bottom. We will be having more frustration of the workers parking anywhere they want as well as construction debris and dirt dragged out onto the street and left to wash away during and left over after the construction.

Other factors of being against building the new homes there is the inconvenience of interruption of Utilities and/or utilities being intermittently shut off without notice or having extreme low water or gas pressure at times, and increased traffic congestion.

Then we the residents on Lincoln Ave., will no doubt also be facing increased property taxes, because values of the new homes will be more than most of the current existing homes, all utility costs increased, homeowners' insurance increases etc..

I understand that most of the above is a "TEMPORARY DISTURBANCE" "in our neighborhood, because it's just building of homes. However, it's the lasting effects on us in the end that will not make for very many "HAPPY RESIDENTS" on Lincoln Avenue.

In addition to the above,

We already face reduction of a peaceful neighborhood on Lincoln Avenue due to the increased tourism to the cemetery, constant speeding up and down the street with most vehicles playing blaring music-(that being a year around issue) to dealing with the Tour Busses up and down the street constantly (during tourist season), with having to breathe in their constant excessive Exhaust fumes all day or coming home to a house full of fumes from them. Quite a few of us also see a lot of buses speeding up and down the street and most of them have squealing brakes coming downhill and it's loud! We have also had to deal with them blocking our driveway's temporarily off and on and having to hear the blare of their speakers, the list goes on and on, Sadly the Police, say to call them right away and even when we do the response is already too late to catch them.

For me I used to love living here in Deadwood and in my neighborhood, now I'm almost at the point that I really dislike living on Lincoln Avenue.

Signed,

A Frustrated Deadwood Resident.

Phone message I got:

Hello Charles, my name is Tim Pavanka. And I just found out they're trying to build 2 houses, one house down from me. I live on 69 Lincoln Avenue and they're having a hearing on it tomorrow. But I, uh, there's not enough room for 2 houses plus all of the cars that are going to be parking on the street. And last weekend we had one come around the corner from the cemetery. And on ice, these icy roads, and he ended up on his top and they had to cut him out, cut both of them out of the car. So it's not a safe street, and you're going to put 2 more houses on there. I am totally against that as a property owner on 69 Lincoln Avenue. And I guess the guys built a house over on Taylor, and it doesn't match any houses that are in Deadwood. It looks like it don't belong there. Again, my name is Tim Pavanka. P, I, V, as in Victor, O N-K-A. My phone number, 970 308-2794