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I have reviewed the proposed plans and design renderings proposed for 241 Sunkist Lane.

Although the proposed building seems to comply with the numerical and analytical design requirements and guidelines (FAR, setbacks, height, etc), the design is a gross mismatch to the existing character of the neighborhood which is largely California vernacular single-story ranch homes. The numerical and analytical compliance does not speak to the ability of a building design to fit into the character and history of a neighborhood. The proposed structure does not respect the character of the neighborhood nor the existing architectural themes. This can be plainly seen on the “streetscape” photographs on the cka architects drawings and renderings provided at <https://mccmeetingspublic.blob.core.usgovcloudapi.net/losaltosca-meet-faae799e6a1e492cb3be514a82bd9a83/ITEM-Attachment-001-e645fb8cef024ebb8f777d67ad3e1cde.pdf>

My wife and I moved to Los Altos for the quiet charm, bucolic nature, architectural harmony, historic character, and peacefulness of the town. Building designs such as proposed for 241 Sunkist grossly disrupt that harmony and architectural cohesion. Worse, designs like this with fashionable second story balconies intrude rudely into the nearby neighbors’ privacy.

On these bases, I strongly object to this design and urge it be rejected.

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