From: Judy L < > Sent: Monday, October 2, 2023 11:09 PM

To: Housing Element <HEUpdate@losgatosca.gov>

Subject: Comment for 10/3 Town Council Meeting, Item 7

Town Council,

I ask that you consider my family's concerns regarding 401-409 Alberto Way property.

- 1) Building height in CH zone is limited to 35' per Los Gatos Planning website, which applies to the 401-409 Alberto Way property. The newest plan for this property is to build 4 floors, so that the building is 50'. Please consider building only 2 or 3 floors, so that the buildings meet the 35' limit. This will also keep the small town feel of Los Gatos, because the buildings will match other home properties on Alberto Way which are only 2 floors.
- 2) Have you considered working with the owner of the property at Los Gatos Blvd and Los Gatos-Almaden Rd, near 15600 Los Gatos Blvd? The property no longer has an active business. Using this land to meet HCD requirements would be ideal. Future homeowners would be walking distance to businesses and thus more easily support the local economy. By using this land, you can decrease the number of units built on Los Gatos Lodge property and Alberto Way property and still meet State RHNA numbers. Neighbors near Los Gatos Lodge and Alberto Way properties will be more agreeable to your plans.
- 3) Parking on Alberto Way is already very packed, especially in the evening with customers eating at Asa. People are already parking in the red marked street spaces outside 405 Alberto. The street is also narrow, resulting in many cars traveling down Alberto and making U-turns in the middle of the street when they are unable to find parking. The proposed plan looks like it provides limited guest spots on the street which is going to cause even more congestion and fighting for spots. Overnight street parking is almost always full on the entire length of the street until reaching beyond Cuesta De Los Gato. Please provide solutions to this parking issues before building new units on Alberto Way and at Los Gatos Lodge.
- 4) Traffic at the Los Gatos Saratoga and Alberto intersection is crowded all the way up to Los Gatos Blvd, especially during morning and afternoon school hours as well as weekends due to beach traffic. How will this traffic intersection be improved to support the hundreds of people suddenly added to the area, when units at Los Gatos Lodge and 401-409 Alberto Way are added?

 I also agree with other Alberto Way residents who voiced their concerns at the Planning Commission Meeting on August 23, 2023 that with the current roads, emergency evacuations would be dangerous. The Town should present a viable evacuation plan to residents of Alberto Way before new units are constructed. May I remind you that residents of Alberto Way include families with babies and toddlers and households with elderly.

Thank you,

Judy Lee

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