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From: Heather Akin [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2026 11:21 AM

To: Ryan Safty <RSafty@losgatosca.gov>

Cc: planning@losgatos.gov

Subject: Objection to the proposed plans at 116 Vallecitos Way

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

I am writing to express my strong objections to the proposed two story residence at 116 Vallecitos Way.

I live at 112 Vallecitos way and will be directly negatively impacted by the proposed project.

My issues with the proposal:

Size--this project is massive and will loom over my home.

Privacy--the windows and proposed balcony on the second floor will look right into my bedroom, living room, and private courtyard.

Obstruction of views-- this project obstructs my views of the mountains that I have had for the last 8 years of living at 112 Vallecitos way.

The removal of mature trees, and replacing them with 6ft trees will do nothing to prevent the invasion of privacy that will occur with the construction of the two story home with windows and a balcony facing 112 Vallecitos Way.

I would propose they build a basement rather than a second floor to prevent the invasion of privacy and the blocking of my views. If they are allowed to build a second floor I would further lower the height of the building so that it does not block my views and not allow windows or a balcony on the second floor to face 112 Vallecitos way as they will invade my privacy if constructed.

Sincerely,

Heather Akin, Ph.D.

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From: Aileen Gulesserian [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:41 AM

To: Planning <Planning@losgatosca.gov>; Ryan Safty
<RSafty@losgatosca.gov>

Subject: Post hearing comments regarding Architecture and Site

Application S-25-046 for 116 Vallecitos Way

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Mr. Safty and Planning Commissioners,

Thank you for allowing the public and neighbors to participate at the hearing yesterday. Thank you for considering our concerns. We understand the design will be revised and re submitted. Will there be another hearing? Will we be informed and able to review any changes and comment further? Clarification as to the process would be much appreciated.

As the hearing is recorded and the statements are made part of the official record I write to correct items stated by the Architect Ms. Miner.

At one point in her statement she said 116 Vallecitos Way has a two story home next door. It does not. On Vallecitos Way, the two two-story homes are at 108 Vallecitos Way and at 105 Vallecitos Way. Both are much lower in height than the proposed project as it currently stands.

Ms. Miner made much use of presenting a slide of the rendering of the home showing mature trees on the side of the home which would border the residence at 115 Vallecitos Way. Actually that tree is the Douglas Fir they will remove and there will not be a mature tree on that side once that is removed, the rendering is not accurate.

In response to a question from the Commissioners regarding the square footage issue of 116 Vallecitos Way, Ms. Miner stated that there should not be any issue since the Commissioners had approved a 4,200 square foot remodel of 115 Vallecitos Way. This statement is misleading. The remodel for 115 Vallecitos Way is for a single story, well set back from the street and on a lot which is more than twice the size of the lot at 116 Vallecitos Way. The design of the 115 Vallecitos Way remodel actually is for a modern looking ranch like home that architecturally resembles the home at 109 Vallecitos Way.

Lastly, in reviewing the submitted documents by the applicant, I noted that the square footage appearing on the various documents is inconsistent. This needs to be corrected. In Ms. Miners's presentation and in response to a question from one of the Commissioners Ms. Miner actually stated that there was an error. My question is, are they required to correct the errors and will we be given access to view the true and correct numbers? There are issues regarding size which hinge on square footage calculations. Under reporting lot size on the arborist report but elsewhere in other submissions having different lot sizes written, different square footage written for the planned dwelling between the various documents, is not helpful to us when we are reviewing these documents. Will we see the correct and true numbers?

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Aileen Gulesserian

Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Ryan Safty](#)
Subject: Fwd: 116 Vallecitos Post hearing comments re: Architecture and Site Application S-25-046
Date: Friday, May 22, 2026 12:13:03 PM

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Mr. Safty and Planning Commissioners,

Thank you so much for listening to the neighborhood voice on Wednesday night. Throughout the entire evening, I was impressed by your consideration and your desire to maintain the distinct nature of Los Gatos. I appreciate your respect of the community. I am grateful that there is a continuance on 116 Vallecitos. I sincerely hope they find a satisfactory solution. Thank you.

With regards to the tall fir that 116 Vallecitos Way homeowners are proposing to remove:
The huge and impressive fir tree can be seen from Bicknell Rd. It's incredibly tall and majestic and looks healthy. It provides privacy as well, and removing it would completely change the landscape of the neighborhood and surrounding area. We would ask that the fir tree remain.

Gratitude,

Margie Eddington

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