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Good morning,

In response to the property at 2917 W 47th Ter., and the request for a variance, I have the following thoughts:

1. I don't understand why a builder who has built several homes in the city designs homes that do not conform to current zoning laws.
2. I don't understand why neighbors, who enjoy a peaceful neighborhood, and want to stay on good terms with their neighbors are put on the spot in these situations.
3. If we have zoning laws, why aren't they followed, and when not followed, why doesn't the city make the decision?
4. I am worried about runoff. My house is three houses east of 2917 and at a much lower elevation. There is a massive house that is just finishing up, two houses west, the elevation of which is ridiculous. I understand there were some foundation issues, but we weren't given an opportunity to weigh in on the change in elevation. I originally was asked if I had a problem with the house's footprint being a few inches wider. I did not. I do have a problem with the elevation and the potential for runoff and erosion over time.

Another large house at 2917 will exacerbate the issue. There is an inordinate amount of soil being displaced just west of my home, and that has me concerned. If the city approves another variance, what are we left with? From the plans, it looks like a ton of cement.

I am not in favor of neighbors being asked to approve or disapprove variances. I believe that builders should be designing homes according to Westwood's zoning laws, and residents who are already changing the character of the neighborhoods we live in should design within them. If they want a different layout than our zoning laws allow, Westwood is a popular location, I'm sure some lovely family will purchase the property and the current owners can build their dream home elsewhere.

Therefore, I am against approving any variance.

Sincerely,
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