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10046-56 Samoa Avenue, Tujunga, CA 91042

The Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council (STNC) and its Land Use Committee (LUC) strongly urge the City Council to withhold TEFRA funding for the proposed Samoa Avenue Affordable Housing Project until the project is revised to address community concerns. As proposed, the project's design is insensitive to transitions between different land uses and physical differences in building heights and designs in the neighborhood; does not include primary entrances to the units facing the street; and, fails to integrate varied rooflines through the use of sloping roofs, modulated building heights, gables, dormers, or other innovative architectural solutions. It does not conform to the City's Walkability Checklist and Citywide Design Guidelines (residential). Also, the latest pro forma made available to the STNC and LUC indicates that project costs are significantly above the average for this geographical area and are unreasonable and that this project is not near or adjacent to a Transportation Corridor. Finally, the project is significantly under-parked and will create parking congestion in the neighborhood.

Submitted on behalf of the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council and its Land Use Committee December 1, 2014.

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