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Posted in group: **Clerk-PLUM-Committee**

Dear City Clerk,

I'm writing to express dissent over the proposed development at 12444 Venice Blvd in Mar Vista.

As a resident one block over on Pacific Ave, I'm extremely disheartened about the height of the building. I understand that more housing is needed in Mar Vista. However, this project's height is not reasonable for the area, and sets a dangerous precedent for other buildings to be built 60' plus two-story lofts on top (effectively 7 stories).

I'm concerned about quality of life (seeing the sky) but, more importantly, about parking and traffic. The claim that this is near a transportation hub is shaky, and anyone who can afford these luxury units is highly likely to have at least one car, if not more. Pacific is already lined with cars—where will the residents' cars go? Traffic (moving over the speed limit) has already increased down Pacific, Wasatch and other neighboring streets.

Again, I understand the need for more housing, but not the need for more luxury units like these with inadequate parking. I'm also concerned about whether the developer will keep her promise about offering affordable artist units. Despite "local" claims, I don't feel that the developer has exhibited professional behavior or a desire to improve the neighborhood.

I live at 12508 Pacific Ave, and I did not receive any notification of the 5/30/17 hearing. It's very frustrating, and I hope the residents of this neighborhood who oppose this project have made an impression. A 7-story building will be massive and unsightly in this neighborhood.

Kind Regards (and thanks for reading),

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