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Sixteen months have passed since the City Council adopted Councilmember Koretz's Motion to amend the BMO, and all we have to show for it is short-term relief for a handful of neighborhoods. City planners claim to need 18 months to do the amendments, and work hasn't even started.

Meanwhile, this is an example of the suffering that is resulting from the lack of even short term relief in many neighborhoods like ours, Greater Valley Glen:

On our block, two elderly couples are at the mercy of two different new enormous mcmansions on double lots, looming over their entire properties and modest sized homes. They no longer have privacy. One of the couples in their 90s, who has lived in this neighborhood for at least 40 years in a small modest ranch style home, are hounded sometimes all day and into the late night with noise and yelling only a few feet from their bedroom, from a basketball "alley" that runs along side the next door mcmansion, echoing the noise as it bounces off the large building. The very large extended family in the mcmansion viciously berates the elderly couple with foul language when the couple nicely asks them to stop the noise from loud parties and basketball. Other neighbors have also interceded for the elderly couple, only to get the same treatment. When the house was built, some of the neighbors on our block had to fight hard to stop the builder from destroying a very old, large protected oak tree. So in some cases, the neighborhood is ruined in many ways by these inappropriate, over built homes. When it hits long time elderly residents who have raised their families, paid taxes and been good citizens, and are simply trying to live out their last days in peace, it's simply unacceptable and wrong.

Enough is enough. Get the amendments done soon and done right.

Thank you, Mary Cordaro

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