MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 16, 2022

TO: Members of the Trinity County Planning Commission

FROM: Skylar Fisher, Associate Planner

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 2 (P-20-20 & P-21-33) Zone Amendment and General Plan Designation Amendment

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From: Anamarie Taylor
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2022 12:49 PM
To: Skylar Fisher <sfisher@trinitycounty.org>; Jill Cox <jcox@trinitycounty.org>
Subject: Ransom Road Re Zoing

To Whom It May Concern:

I understand that Mr. Ryan wants to build a 70 unit apartment complex on Ransom road, which is right down the street from me, and is pushing for the lot to be rezoned for multi families. While I am all for more AFFORDABLE housing in Trinity County, I don’t think our street is the appropriate street to do it on. Here are a few reasons why:

- Our road barely feels big enough for 2 cars to pass, we don’t even have any yellow lines, and we never have, are you planning on painting those before this monstrosity?
- We have no streetlights, again, are you planning on putting those in before this?
- We have a lot of homeless traffic which is not safe for children, and coupled with no streetlights, it’s not very safe at all. I as an adult don’t even walk around my neighborhood as I once did as a child.
• We have no sidewalks for the onslaught of kids that will surely come with this apartment building. As it is if one person is walking on our road they are in the way, are you planning on putting those in beforehand as well?

• We have no actual bus stop, as it is the very small group of kids that wait for it basically stand in the middle of the road making it impossible to pull out or in. Also, the speed limit at the 299 & Ransom cross is 45 mph; I was never even allowed to take the bus in the morning growing up due to the alarming rate that people fly by right there. Even now as an adult pulling out I have to wait for a long time to make sure there is no traffic coming; else I get someone trying to rear end me. Have you bothered to do a traffic study at all?

• We already have a major bear problem as they come up through the canyon, which will be even worse with more apartments and more dumpsters.

The lot in question would be perfect for 1 (which used to be there) or 2 houses, but certainly not a 70 unit apartment complex. I saw in the Trinity Journal that he stated the parcel “is already adjacent to three other high-density residential parcels, making a good fit for the neighborhood.” Well Mr. Ryan, you are wrong. Also, you don’t even live in our neighborhood, what makes you the expert on “a good fit?” I assure you, it is NOT. I’ve lived on this street since I was born in 1980. My grandparents have lived in this neighborhood since they built their house in the late 1940’s. Growing up on this street was wonderful; it was nothing but trees, elderly people & wildlife. It always felt secluded, yet close to town. You never had to worry about anything happening on your property or to your house because there were only a few people who lived close to you and you knew them all. As I got older things started changing, more houses were built, which brought more noise, more traffic, more people, and trespassing like I never experienced before. Things really went downhill after the first apartment complex was put in right next door to me. I can only imagine what will happen if this gets approved.

I, as a 4th generation long standing community member with deep roots in this neighborhood, am asking you to PLEASE, PLEASE do NOT rezone our neighborhood for multifamily use. There is plenty of other options in Trinity County for this to happen where it won’t affect livelihoods.

What if it was your neighborhood and your family to worry about? Would you think about it differently then?

Regards,

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