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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Project Name: Barnes Road Subdivision, Project Description - 3552 Barnes - File #MIN19-004 (Apr 28th, 2021 9am)
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Importance: High

Ms. Susie Murray
Project Planner

Good Afternoon,

My purpose in writing you is to voice my complaints and concerns regarding this project if it is completed.

My property is located at 2033 Shelbourne Way, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

My property's full west property line is adjacent to the proposed project and will be affected by any new development proposed for 3553 Barnes Rd.

Specifically, 1 new proposed home and the driveway to access that new home will affect my property's side and back yard.

In reviewing the information regarding this project, I believe disagree with approving this plan for the following reasons:

1. The access of a new street or driveway to access the newly developed homes will directly affected the neighboring communities backyard and fences.
 - a. The noise and pollutants from vehicles access the home will be a nuisance for not only my household but the neighboring community who's backyards line the driveway/street as well.

Currently the property is being used a commercial storage or working construction for many vehicles and has become a nuisance for the surrounding homes and this new plan will allow it to continue.

I am continuously getting pollutants from commercial vehicles in use on this property as early as 6am as they run their vehicles for 10-15 mins each as they warm up or load/unload their vehicles. This noise and pollutants would increase at least 3x given the new development of 3 individual housing units.
 - b. All the new fencing put up by the neighboring households since the 2017 Tubbs Fire is currently damaged due to the current property use for commercial purposes and storage.

This damage will worsen due to more vehicles from the new homes being built and accessing the street/driveway for access.
 - c. Direct access to the newly proposed driveway or street from Barnes from either vehicle or foot traffic is a safety issue for the surrounding neighborhood.
 - d. There given the increase in thefts or burglaries in the Coffey Park area, this additional access to neighboring backyards means the potential for increased crime to the neighboring community adjacent to this proposed new driveway or street.
 - e. Neighboring community backyards will now face the new street driveway and ultimately reflect lack of privacy for the neighboring community families with no barrier or direct access to eliminate direct access to their backyards.
1. If these high density homes are completed in such a small area the increased risk will dramatically increase probability of fire spread.
2. The potential loss in my property value due to this project's is very uncharacteristic to the surrounding neighborhood area and will become esthetically displeasing.
 - a. This type of housing is not normal for the neighboring community and not something we as homeowner's want.
 - b. All surrounding neighborhood homes are similar in characteristics and something we as a

homeowners in this community want to keep.

- c. This type of development is undesirable not only for the surrounding community but to any potential buyers of any homes in close proximity to this new development.
 - d. If this development is being used for rental property, it is my understanding that it will also decrease property values of the immediately surrounding single family homes.
Although not mentioned in the project description, these new homes could easily be considered for multifamily rental property.
4. This proposal is similar to the proposal presented back in 2016/2017 and was turned down by the city.
- a. Upon turn down by city to build additional housing, the property owners allowed a large cannabis growing operation to take place on said property in which the surrounding neighboring community requested assistance from city and police officials have shut down. It was my understanding that this operation was being investigated right at the time of the 2017 Tubbs Fire which exposed the property's usage given it survived the fire presumptively due to the large amount of water used to maintain the cannabis grow.
 - b. Now the site is used for commercial and construction storage which is a nuisance to the surrounding neighbors.

While I understand the need for more housing in our area and county, this type of housing is not something I would like being developed next to my property or for the surrounding neighborhood.

For many homeowners who lost everything in the 2017 Tubbs Fire, we rebuilt our homes and lives hoping to keep our community as it was prior to our loss: a low density, single family home environment.

This project does not fit the communities footprint and I am asking you to please consider disapproval of this proposed property development in consideration before final decision.

This decision doesn't affect just the few surrounding homes adjacent to the property, it affects the community as a whole that have come together after a horrific event to live our lives as we planned.

Thank you,

Michele Sheridan

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