

City Council meeting tonight 4/2 Canopy disapproval

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Dear Honorary Council Members; I was just informed that the Planning Commission approved the Canopy project and it was on your agenda tonight to approve or disapprove this project. We residents of the Hurlbut Neighborhood are requesting that you ask the developer to scale down this project for the following reasons.. We are not in favor of the project as planned. We realize that more affordable housing is needed and the state is putting pressure to build, and this housing may not be affordable. But regardless of that you are all aware the General Plan requires that any new development must fit with the neighborhood, and this one clearly does not. Your associate Evert Fernandez said "I find it impossible to accept that this proposed use is consistent with the General Plan".....Your Policy CD-1-2 states Ensure that new residential development is sensitive to the surrounding Architecture, character & scale of the surrounding neighborhood. All it takes is to look at this proposal and compare that to the existing homes on Hurlbut and Wiona, and you will easily see that the 37 1/2 foot tall development placed next to existing homes that are mostly less than 13 feet in height is in no way ensuring sensitivity to height. Please ask the developer to scale down this project and reduce the height. Thank You Richard Murphy Ps Sorry I could not make the meeting tonight as I have an important class.