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Subject: CC2035 Plan Testimony

Dear planning officials,

My name is Sherry Salomon and I live at 1000 SW Vista Ave. Apt. 807. This is in the Goose Hollow Kings Hill neighborhood. From our corner apartment at the Vista St. Claire, we can see the Vista Bridge, Forest Park, historic mansions, Mt. Hood, Mt. St. Helens and views of iconic downtown Portland.

As a person who actually lives in this neighborhood, as opposed to people and businesses that hope to "harvest" historic Goose Hollow for their own profit, I am deeply disturbed by the proposals being made by this committee. After testifying with my husband and son on July 26th and hearing other testimonies, I am worried that business interests with deep pockets will determine the quality of my life in years to come. I am concerned that because I am one of "little people who pay taxes" that Leona Helmsley famously mocked, my needs and concerns will be glossed over.

There are numerous objections that I could make, but I will focus on nine historic buildings in Goose Hollow that are now at risk: The Tiffany Center, Bronaugh Apartments, Scottish Rite Building, Commodore Apartments, Hamilton Arms Apartments, Lafayette Apartments, Hotel deLuxe and the old Concordia Club which is of special interest to the Jewish community.

All these buildings are architectural gems that will be put at risk if this proposal goes through. As in other neighborhoods, there will eventually be pressure to demolish these grand structures for more generic tall, and frankly, ugly buildings.

If this trend of giving in to business interests at the expense of people who actually live in historic neighborhoods, there will be nothing unique to Portland. Views will vanish and historic icons will be bulldozed over.

I ask you to consider my remarks in this important decision.

Thank you,  
Sherry Salomon