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Hello Mr. Persicone:

I own a residence next door to the 140 Lyell Street property. I live at 132 Lyell Street in small condominium complex abutting 140 Lyell Street. Although I knew that there would be a condominium development next door, I was surprised to learn that there would be five two-story condominiums proposed for a site that presently has just one small house. Simply put, I think that squeezing five homes onto that site is just way too much.

The intersection of Lyell Street and Gabilan Street is currently busy. Under normal circumstances (pre-pandemic), it is very busy and congested. This intersection is in normal times filled with kids and parents walking and riding their bikes to the Covington School or the other way to LAHS, motorists cutting through from San Antonio to Cuesta to avoid the light at San Antonio and Cuesta, and workers renovating various houses on Lyell Street. Adding five more families to this mix would overwhelm this area. I also noticed that there were no sidewalks around the proposed condo complex. There are a lot of kids in this area, and I would think, given how busy it already is, at a minimum, sidewalks would be necessary for the safety of the kids and residents.

The size of the project will directly impact my enjoyment of my property at 132 Lyell Street. It looks like will be a thirty foot tall condo complex close to the front of my home, which will block the light and air into my home. It will also block my view of trees, and the far off view of the south bay hills to one of a wall of windows looking down into our home. I would predict that it will negatively impact the market and enjoyment value of my home. I would hope that this plan could be modified so as not to overwhelm this area with more congestion.

Best Regards,

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