

My name is Maria Rattunde, our family lives at [REDACTED], we are on the South side of the proposed ADU for 836 Woodrow St by Andrew Cusick.

- I understand that one of the decisions you will be making identifies if the ADU (Accessory Dwelling unit) is compatible with the neighborhood, we hope to sway you to answer NO.
- Our houses are very close together, our driveways abut; there is no buffer (share photo).
- We have lived in our house for over 25 years, we have made renovations to it to improve its value and our neighborhood aesthetic. We believe that adding value to our home is not only important to us but is also important for our neighborhood. It has been important to us to be a good neighbor and to be considerate of those living close to us.
- Since we have owned our house, there must have been at least 6 sets of owners at 836. 836 has proven to be a solid starter home, the house has its limitations and requires work. My husband is an architect, he along with another architect/neighbor have provided feedback to the various owners of 836 that the house needs structural fixes. We believe that by creating a new 2-story building, nothing will be done to improve the current structure; which could lead to a devaluation of the property.
- Andrew Cusick has expressed to us that the house is small, they need more space, the garage is wet, they have mice, the house is cold, among other things. Building an ADU will not correct those things; but renovating the existing house will.
- We do believe that this ADU would create renters for either the house or the ADU, we do not want to have to police the use of the buildings nor have to deal with the comings and goings of football fans. The ADU will decrease the tranquility of our neighborhood.
- With bedrooms and bath not being on the main floor, the existing house cannot support aging parents; on the surface, the ADU appears to provide a space to care for aging parents but I would disagree. Based on what we have seen we question its accessibility especially in winter. The house will continue to melt snow onto the driveway, and freeze, this issue will not be corrected, and the hazard will continue.
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