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Madison Plan Commission members,

Please oppose Item 14, Legistar 89918, which would allow an Accessory Dwelling Unit to be a duplex, and which would remove the Accessory Dwelling Unit's footprint area from the maximum cumulative square footage allowed for permitted use accessory structures so that Accessory Dwelling Units are treated differently than garages and sheds.

This legislation is another step down the slippery slope leading to overcrowded neighborhoods. Most people think of Accessory Dwelling Units as modest additions to existing houses to make room for one or two people. New City legislation now allows a second house to be built in the backyard of the primary residence, which may be an apartment building. Legistar 89918 would allow two housing units in the Accessory Dwelling Unit and paves the way for a backyard full of garages, sheds, plus the Accessory Dwelling Unit. Neighbors will have no say in this loss of open space. It is time to say, "Enough!"

Future residents of Madison will not think kindly of City officials who decided to turn a city of pleasant neighborhoods into an overcrowded dystopia.

Don Lindsay