

Stouder, Heather

From: Laurie Werth [lwerth@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:29 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Re: Museum storage facility plan

Thank you, Heather.

I edited my email below. I added turkeys and Jack-in-the-pulpits.

Sincerely,

Laurie Werth

On Jun 6, 2011, at 12:35 PM, Stouder, Heather wrote:

> Good afternoon, Laurie-

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> Thank you for your e-mail. I will include it in the comments submitted to the Plan Commission. Importantly, the applicant has requested a referral of this proposal from this evening's meeting to the June 20th Plan Commission meeting. As the applicant will not be presenting the proposal, it will almost certainly be referred for discussion on June 20, rather than this evening.

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> While you are more than welcome to attend this evening, I wanted to let you know, in case it saves you a trip downtown.

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> Best-

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> Heather Stouder

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Laurie Werth [<mailto:lwerth@gmail.com>]

> Sent: Sunday, June 05, 2011 9:34 AM

> To: Stouder, Heather

> Cc: anitaweier@netscape.net

> Subject: Museum storage facility plan

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> To- Plan Commission

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> Please forward to Plan Commission members and City Council members-

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> I have lived at 505 Muir Drive since 1982. I live approximately 2-3 blocks south of the proposed Museum storage facility on Troy Drive at Harper.
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> I would like to voice my concerns about the selection of this site for this building. I am not in support of this location for several reasons.
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> #1- This is a very quiet, residential neighborhood.
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> #2- A building of this size and magnitude would overwhelm the neighborhood.
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> #3- I don't think that this building would fit in with Troy Garden next door.
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> #4- A building like this, with basically no windows, could be placed anywhere, not in a nature conservancy.
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> #5- I would rather leave the land to the wildlife than build such a big building at this location. (Nesting Great Horned Owls, Sandhill Cranes, Deer, Fox, Bluebirds, Wild Turkeys, Goldfinches, frogs, to name just a few, along with many endangered species of wildflowers including trillium, dog-toothed violets, giant solomon seal, false solomon seal, dutchman's breeches, and Jack-in-the-pulpits, etc.)
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> #6- The North Lake Mendota Neighborhood Association should have been included in the planning process.
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> #7- I am very fearful that if this project proceeds in the manner that it has been set forth, I worry about the future preservation of ALL of the state owned conservancy land adjacent to Mendota Mental Health Property. The land that I am most concerned about includes Governor's Island, Lakeshore paths, and woods, along with the world's largest collection of Indian Mounds. This area is a State and National Treasure that deserves more careful preservation.
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> Let's not "pave paradise and put up a parking lot."
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> Sincerely,
> Laurie Werth

Stouder, Heather

From: Karen Burbank [burbank19@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, June 03, 2011 10:53 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Proposed Warehouse on Troy Drive

This message is intended for the Plan Commission members.

The neighbors residing on Harper, Muir, and Woodward Drive are strongly opposed to the proposed warehouse which would be situated on Troy Drive!

We object to the placement of such a large warehouse next to the green space of Troy Gardens. The building does not fit in the neighborhood. It would negatively impact the environment.

We are adamantly opposed to changing the zoning from Conservancy to Light Manufacturing.

We were dismayed by the lack of notification until the last minute.

There is a Northside Neighborhood Plan. The plan does not show this proposed building or a zoning change!

Thank you,
Rick and Karen Haagensen
405 Muir Drive

Photographs and captions submitted by Alder Anita Weier, 6/5/2011



The site where the museum storage facility would be located



Gary Bergmann, who lives next to the site, shows it to an alder. He opposes the building, which would fill space now used by birds and other creatures.

Photographs and captions submitted by Alder Anita Weier, 6/5/2011



Troy Gardens and the woods that would be partially affected by the storage building