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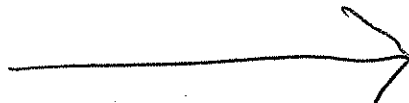
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Re: proposed changes at Old University Avenue, 2500 block

Some suggestions and concerns appear on the accompanying page.

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OLD UNIVERSITY AVENUE 2500 BLOCK: SUGGESTIONS AND CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROPOSED CHANGES

Before the 1968 construction of the Campus Drive bypass, the street now known as Old University Avenue had a string of single-story businesses extending from Walnut Street to Farley Avenue. The proposed changes to the 2500 Block will bring back a measure of the old business activity, while adding new residences. Following the most recent public meeting [July 19th], I offer here some suggestions and concerns.

1. An apartment complex, facing Campus Drive. Four stories instead of six. The new apartment will resemble the one located at 2355-2379 Old University Avenue. Many new cars will come into the neighborhood. The traffic at Old University Avenue/Highland Avenue will be heavy but manageable. Traffic resulting from a six-story complex will resemble that of a football Saturday, the year around.
2. Underground parking for the new apartment complex. During the recent heavy rains, Highland Avenue has become a waterfall, and the Highland/Old University intersection a catch-basin. Great care, with regard to any subterranean parking facility at this location.
3. The north side of Old University Avenue, from Highland Avenue to Grand Avenue. No residences here. Instead, a mall-like single-story structure, capable of being subdivided for small businesses. One of these subdivisions will be set aside as a neighborhood house, modeled on the Neighborhood House of south Mills Street. The city will rent this structure, and in turn rent out segments for meetings and programs of interest in the neighborhood.