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Dear Plan Commission Members,

I am writing in support of creating a path for some demolition reviews to become administrative. The proposed threshold makes solid sense.

This adjustment would have been incredibly useful for our family had the change been initiated prior to our build project. We are in the midst of a 3 months long wait to receive demolition approval for taking down our small attached garage (because we are on a corner the garage exterior wall is street facing, thus triggering the approval process). I find humor in looking at our application with a picture of our unsightly garage wall and thinking: *that* is the item in question?

I've noticed that the city is interested in ways to support thoughtful growth in housing and think it will be helpful to adjust this hurdle to be relevant only to the intended type of structure. As residents that appreciate historic structures we value having safe-guards in place, but the current process is unfairly problematic for projects that do not meet the historic standard.

Thank you for your time and we are glad to see this reasonable adjustment come to the Plan Commission.

-Erin Courtenay