From: Scanlon, Amy

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To: Scanlon, Amy

Subject: FW: Fw:906 Williamson Letter

To Whom it May Concern;

I wanted to write in support of the demolition of the home at 906 Williamson Street to make way for the commercial project. My experience as a general contractor, tell me it would cost far in excess of \$250,000 to bring the home to an acceptable level of quality. Currently, I just don't see that happening. Furthermore, I feel if we don't act now, we will lose an excellent opportunity to develop a non-tiff project, that would add to the tax base and help our schools.

The developer has added a low cost housing component and has improved the open space on the site. These were issues, that were brought forth at the previous P&D meeting, as conditions that would be necessary for local community support. Presently, we still have resistance to the project because it doesn't meet some ambiguous criteria in the build plan. We should not use the ambiguity of the build plan to oppose a project solely for the reason that some in our community feel it should not be built at all.

I also would like to point out that the three story project on the corner of Williamson and South Baldwin has less open space and no low cost housing component. This building is now occupied with moderate and well appointed apartments and three local small businesses. In my opinion that project has brought considerable positive benefits to our local community. In singling out this building, I feel I have provided concrete precedence for the committee to weigh into its calculation.

Now is the time to approve appropriate projects as they come along. Acting in resistance based on some criteria that is undefined and could mean almost anything to certain concerned parties is not being rational or intellectually honest. Finally, I am asking the committee to please

support this valuable addition to our neighborhood. Thanks for your consideration,