From: Planning Public Comment

To: Planning Public Comment; Meha Patel; Sheldon Ah Sing
Subject: DRH Meeting 11/13/24 RE: Agenda item 24-1033 - 1776 Bowers Ave Santa Clara

Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 11:12:20 AM

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From: Carolyn Bouza

Sent: Friday, November 8, 2024 12:54 PM

To: Planning Public Comment < Planning Public Comment@santaclaraca.gov>

Subject: Agenda item 24-1033 - 1776 Bowers Ave Santa Clara

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Dear Development Review,

My purpose for writing is to express my deep concern regarding the proposed expansion of the residence at 1776 Bowers Ave. As a resident in the neighborhood, I have been greatly troubled by the unsightly conditions of the property, which includes having 8-11 cars parked on the street and property each night and an overgrown and cluttered front and backyard. Despite these issues, there has been limited involvement by the city to rectify issues with the home.

In light of this, it is quite alarming to learn that there are now plans to triple the size of the home. A 5000+ sq foot property with only 2 parking spaces is not in harmony with the aesthetic character of our locality. It is high time that Santa Clara speaks out loudly and unequivocally to oppose these undesired McMansions.

It is my fervent hope that the concerns of myself and other concerned neighbors are taken seriously and that the proposed expansion is greatly reduced and that you address the parking situation if you grant any addition.

Thank you for considering my letter.

Sincerely,

To: Planning Public Comment; Meha Patel; Sheldon Ah Sing

Subject: RE: 1776 Bowers ave

Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 11:13:17 AM

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From: Margaret Thompson

Sent: Friday, November 8, 2024 4:59 PM

To: Planning Public Comment < Planning Public Comment@santaclaraca.gov>

Subject: 1776 Bowers ave

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Please do not let this owner build a second story.

This house is ridiculous and has cars parked all over the front yard. It is a health hazard to have all those people living in those conditions.

The people who live in this house take up all the street parking and even around the corner not to mention parking all over their front yard.

Sent from my iPhone

To: Planning Public Comment; Meha Patel; Sheldon Ah Sing

Subject: RE: 1776 Bowers

Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 11:13:48 AM

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From:

Sent: Friday, November 8, 2024 5:06 PM

To: Planning Public Comment < Planning Public Comment@santaclaraca.gov>

Subject: 1776 Bowers

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HI Planning dept,

I wanted to voice my concerns over this development. The residents of this plot already has way to many people living in this home which causes a parking nightmare for residents on this street not to mention all there cars parked on Warburton. They also have cars that appear to be abandoned parked on Santa Cruz. This appears to be a multi family residence and should be run as an apartment. That would me adequate parking on property which it does not have. Cars are parked on landscaping currently which I think is a violation.

Please reconsider,

David Sarabia

To: Planning Public Comment; Meha Patel; Sheldon Ah Sing

Subject: RE: Architecture review for 1776 Bowers Avenue Santa Clara. (PLN23-00554)

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----Original Message----

From: Niall Lyne

Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 5:19 AM

To: Planning Public Comment < Planning Public Comment@santaclaraca.gov>

Subject: Architecture review for 1776 Bowers Avenue Santa Clara. (PLN23-00554)

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To who it may concern

It has come to my attention that the owner(s) of 1776 Bowers Avenue has applied for planning to add a second story on the current residence to expand to 7 bedrooms.

As a resident in this neighborhood I object to this planning request.

I live at 2963 Millar Avenue. I drive or walk past this "house" on a daily basis with my dog.

I own my home in this neighborhood for over 20 years and love that we actually have single family homes in our "neighborhood".

The person or persons who own this home have obviously no regard for the neighborhood. On a daily basis the residences of this address park far too many cars in the front of the house at different angles some times blocking the sidewalk. I'm surprised they haven't also applied for a Japanese style parking lift to be installed on the front lawn.

They also park around the corner of the junction of Bowers & Warburton making the junction

unsafe. In addition they have all sorts of stuff thrown outside in front or on the side of the house.

It's obvious far too many people are staying in the house than should be in a normal residence of this size. They are obviously renting and trying to get as much rent as possible from as many people as possible, and now they effectively want to make an apartment complex on the site, so they can cram more people and more cars onto this lot and the surrounding streets.

I'm personally ok and understand why families put in "Granny flats" or ADUs on their lot or build a second story that still has just four bedrooms on a house. That is NOT what this property owner is planning here.

The owner of this building obviously has no regard for their neighbors today and if this planning is approved will have less regard in the future. If this planning is approved, it would also send the message that the city also has no regard for the neighborhood.

Over the 20+ years I have lived in Santa Clara most of the small business owners and restaurants have closed down. There are very few affordable places to eat anymore. They are all gone and being replaced by huge apartment blocks along El Camino. Other local cities have a downtown areas to visit, Mountain View, Sunnyvale, Los Gatos, etc. Santa Clara does not. I'm all for progress but this is now rediculous. A lot of these places are leased apartments and many are empty. Very few are families and just put more pressure on the city utilities. Example - The Mylo Santa Clara Apartments (3710 El Camino Real), is not what I would call pleasing to the eye and the site in front is obviously a failure and now a waste lot.

Please don't approve the above planning request we have enough apartment complexes already in the city. There is not enough space for all the cars currently "parked" at 1776 Bowers Avenue, approving this planning will only make the situation far worse than it already is, in addition to being more unsafe and unsightly for us neighbors.

Sincerely Niall Lyne

To: Planning Public Comment; Meha Patel; Sheldon Ah Sing

Subject: RE: comment on 1776 Bowers Ave

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From: BaoHuong Phan

Sent: Saturday, November 9, 2024 10:24 AM

To: Planning Public Comment < Planning Public Comment@santaclaraca.gov>

Subject: comment on 1776 Bowers Ave

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Hello, please don't allow the property at 1776 Bowers Ave to turn into an outsized home that changes the feel of the neighborhood. I live on Barkley, a couple blocks away, and love this area. I understand the housing difficulties that people face, but this proposed size of this redevelopment is way out of character for this area. Thank you for considering the views of the people who live nearby.

From: Planning Public Comment

To: Planning Public Comment; Meha Patel; Sheldon Ah Sing

Subject: RE: Home requesting major addition

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From: Haccou IPad

Sent: Monday, November 11, 2024 8:56 AM

To: Planning Public Comment <PlanningPublicComment@santaclaraca.gov>

Subject: Home requesting major addition

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Hello

I recently saw where the home at 1776 Bowers (Near Warburton) is applying for work to be done on their home to add a second story, bringing the total number of bedrooms to 7.

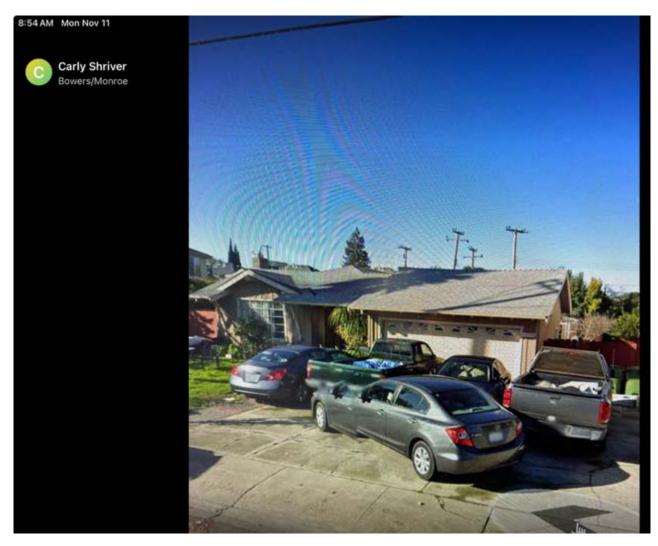
We drive by this house often and there are always more cars there than will fit in the driveway as it is. I don't believe this addition fits the neighborhood. These houses are small to begin with, and the addition will overpower the neighboring homes, also blocking out sun. I am also worried about that many cars pulling out into busy traffic on Bowers.

Please consider the impact on the neighborhood and traffic.

Thank you

Judy Haccou

Photo taken from a NextDoor post:



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