2005

Attn: Maria Harris

Regarding Planning Action 2004-105, Tax Lots 39 1E 16 AD 3400, 3500 & 3600

I am the owner of the house at 1043 Prospect Street, Ashland. This house sits at the end of Prospect on the downhill side of the street, on the west end of Prospect.

I will be out of town for the February 1, 2005 meeting, so would like my letter read as a matter of record.

My concern remains on-street parking. I am advocating for at least a 22 foot wide street at the end of Prospect, with parking on at least one side. I do not believe that fire truck access should be a constraint for providing such parking, because currently a fire truck cannot easily turnaround at the end of the street anyway. With or without parking the ability of a fire truck to turnaround remains unchanged. In fact, if on-street parking is not provided in front of 1043 Prospect Street, it is likely that fire truck turnaround will become even more problematic. The parking at 1043 Prospect Street currently consists of two legal spaces which are comprised by a carport and driveway. Without on-street parking close to the house, residents of 1043 Prospect Street are forced to jimmy their cars in, using the entire driveway up to the property line. With the 1036 Prospect Street private gate closed and the driveway at 1043 Prospect used to full capacity, turnaround for any vehicle becomes extremely difficult. If on-street parking is provided, parking and emergency vehicle accessibility will actually be enhanced. I have often watched my neighbors and guests of 1036 Prospect Street back into my driveway out of theirs in order to exit their property. With the driveway at 1043 utilized to full capacity, this becomes extremely difficult.

I think it needs to be noted that without legal on-street parking, residents and especially their guests will become creative and park in ways that limit access. Let's just provide some legal on-street parking! There is definitely a need. I believe that the developers of Mountain Pines Subdivision are amenable to this solution. I thank them for their consideration of the needs of Prospect Street.

Thank you,

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Dear City Council Members and Mr. Mayor,

Regarding the proposed project on the Mountain St./Prospect St. block, my wife and I were out of town and not able to sign the neighborhood letter outlining the concerns about the proposed project. However, we do stand in strong support of the contents of the letter and thank you for your consideration of it.

We wish to express to you all our belief that the proposed number of houses is excessive and does not fairly take into account the safety and livability of the neighborhood as a whole. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Sean and Kerri Traynor (and Jessica—8 months old)

1071 Wildwood Way

City of Ashland
Planning Exhibit
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Date 4/05 Staff