

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Mark Andrews <~~electricomp@yahoo.com~~>
Sent: Friday, September 05, 2014 9:03 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case Number: C15-2014-0112, 3102 Lafayette Avenue
Attachments: Case Number_C15-2014_0112.pdf

Ms. Heldenfels:

Please see attached. **We are in favor** of the home owner building another dwelling on their property. We understand the City's congestion concerns, but we believe in conjunction with population growth, the area is becoming better connected and less dependent on conventional transportation. Further, we have not observed in 8 years any watershed issues related to the area, thus any reduction in pervious area should have limited impact. We encourage the home owner to consider rain harvesting. Thank you. FYI, we do not know the home owners.

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Case Number: C15-2014-0112, 3102 Lafayette Avenue

Contact: Leane Heldenfels, 512-974-2202, leaneheldenfels@austintexas.gov

Public Hearing: Board of Adjustment, September 8th, 2014

Mark Alan Andrees

Your Name (please print)

I am in favor
 I object

2900 Lafayette Ave

Your address(es) affected by this application

Mark A Andrees 9/4/14

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512 415 0629

Comments: I believe the area will accommodate an increase in density.

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Leane Heldenfels

P. O. Box 1088

Austin, TX 78767-1088

Or fax to (512) 974-2934

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Rebecca Kottelat

Your Name (please print)

I am in favor
 I object

1304 E. 29th St.

78722

Your address(es) affected by this application

Rebecca Kottelat

Signature

9-5-14

Date

Daytime Telephone:

512-415-9876

Comments:

I have reviewed her plans, been part of a neighborhood discussion and fully support these adjustments.

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Heldenfels, Leane

From: ~~l.heldenfels@cityofhouston.com~~
Sent: Friday, September 05, 2014 11:17 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Residential waiver case number C15-2014-0112

3102 Lafayette

09.05.14

Leana - I talked with you yesterday regarding the proposed waiver for case number C15-2014-0112 for the property located at 3102 Lafayette Ave. Thanks for your help locating the materials related to this proposal.

In June, I purchased the house 3105 Lafayette, which is across the street from the subject property. I've been gradually moving in, making several trips each week to work on my home and property. I never received notification about the proposed waiver, so without the sign in the front yard, I never would have known about this situation (that sign requirement is critical).

I carefully reviewed all the documents presented for this waiver. I wish I could support my neighbor's plans, as I'm sure they are well-intentioned. But I cannot, for the following reasons:

1) There is already so much on-street parking on Lafayette Ave.

(especially this block) that the street is effectively a one-way street.

This waiver will only increase the problem.

2) There are no sidewalks along Lafayette, so that pedestrians must walk in the street. Increased on-street parking means less room for and more danger to pedestrians.

3) Lafayette is a busy bicycle route. Increased on-street parking means less room for and increased danger to cyclists. Please note that parallel-parked cars are a significant threat to cyclists, due to drivers opening doors in the path of oncoming cyclists.

4) Guests visiting my home often cannot park in front of my house due to on-street parking by my neighbors. This waiver will only increase the problem.

5) While the applicants state that the proposed 2nd dwelling is for someone who drives very little, that is only a transient situation. It

is very likely that the next tenant will be an active driver, and perhaps have more than one car, and this waiver will allow all those

vehicles to park on the street. Or perhaps the current owners will

sell this property, and there is a very real possibility that the new owners will bring even more cars (e.g., stealth dorm).

6) The applicants stated they have teenagers. I suspect these teenagers will soon drive, and these cars must also park on the street.

7) On-street parking for residents brings no benefit to the neighborhood. Rather, it increases visual clutter, and endangers pedestrians, cyclists and visitors. In addition, the streets in this neighborhood are not wide enough to support parking on both sides of the street.

8) There are already far too many cars parked on Lafayette, presumably by residents. The remaining unused spaces should be preserved for visitors, not homeowners.

I urge the Board of Adjustment to deny this requested waiver, and recommend that the applicants revise their plans to accommodate on-site parking for at least 3 cars.

Thanks for allowing my concerns to be properly considered.

Regards,

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MARJORIE BAUMGARTEN

Your Name (please print)

1304 E. 30th St.

Your address(es) affected by this application

Marjorie Baumgarten

Signature

9/4/14

Date

Daytime Telephone:

512/826-1885

Comments:

There's not enough street parking as is to serve a functioning driveway and then provide 11 non-adjacent street parking for the planned residents. It's tedious of adding 11 units to 11 units. To make matters worse, City forgot the needs in that area, public parking was implemented.

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Rakhal Reed

Your Name (please print)

I am in favor
 I object

3007 Lafayette Ave 78772

Your address(es) affected by this application

Reed Reed

Signature

9-1-14

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512.636.0605

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