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Elaine Ramirez, Liaison
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City of Austin

RE: C15-2023-0026; 15 Margranita Crescent

Members of the Board of Adjustment:

The Executive Committee (ExComm) of West Austin Neighborhood Group (WANG) has voted electronically to oppose the above referenced variance request at 15 Margranita Crescent.

Our opposition is primarily focused on the allegations of hardship as presented in the application. The size and topography of the building lot was known prior to design of the residence, and specific design considerations were made to conform with the known requirements of LDC Subchapter F. Specifically, in order to maximize FAR a tandem carport was chosen over an enclosed tandem garage. Carports by their very nature are open to the elements, but use of a carport rather than an enclosed garage was an informed decision. It is unfortunate that the drive under the carport was constructed to slope water towards the residence rather than away, and it is hoped that the applicant of the variance and the initial builder of the home, David Weekly Homes, will work with the home owner to find a resolution that will ameliorate at least some of the periodic flooding issues. Again, we see these hardships as self-imposed.

We also have concerns that allowing the carport to be enclosed after construction through the variance process, thus increasing the allowable FAR, does set a precedent for like situated residences.

A member of the neighborhood association will be in attendance at the hearing on Monday 10 July 2023.

Respectfully.

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