SPEAKER COMMENT CARD

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Dear Members of the Planning Commission, We will be attending today's Work Session and Business Meeting. At the Business Meeting, we will be making comments on the proposed high density development being requested by developers on the current site of the Old Mill. Our concerns center around the impact on the community that allowing increased density will create. The city's studies have concluded that each new residence will add seven more vehicle trips per day. Another study with which we are familiar, raisies that number to nine additional car trips per home. Regardless of which study is accepted, it is apparent that if the proposed development is allowed, over 2,000 additional vehicles will traverse Big Cottonwood Canyon Road. Currently, the Big Cottonwood Historical Trail crosses this road. The trail is utilized greatly throughout the day by runners, bikers, dog walkers and families with children. The crosswalk at the intersection of the trail and the road is largely ignored by motorists now. We believe that a huge increase in traffic would greatly impact public safety. We join with a huge majority of our neighbors in urging the Planning Commission to not recommend any density variances to the property owners who would like to turn our community of single family homes into one of medium and even high desity units. We feel that the applicants have not shown themselves to be good neighbors up to this point. Their 24/7 gravel quarry operation has filled our community with ongoing noise and dust pollution. A compost heap fire combusts spontaneously filling our properties with smoke of unknown burning material. This fire, while being controlled at the moment, was allowed to burn most of last summer. The Old Mill has not been secured well historically presenting an attractive nuisance to children wandering through. Videos posted by these kids show missing stairs and large holes in the floor boards. Again, we urge the commission to not recommend any density variances.

Please note: To be considerate of everyone, public comments will typically be limited to three minutes per person per item. A spokesperson who has been asked by a group to summarize their concerns will be allowed five minutes to speak. Comments should be submitted in writing to the City Recorder prior to 4 p.m. the day of the meeting.