

Palmquist, Tami

From: pablomons@netscape.net
Sent: Tuesday, December 11, 2018 12:29 PM
To: Palmquist, Tami
Cc: hjborba@gmail.com
Subject: Re: Garden District project

Dear Ms. Palmquist, I apologize I seem to have left off my signature:

Pablo Monsivais

-----Original Message-----

From: pablomons <pablomons@netscape.net>
To: tpalmquist <tpalmquist@spokanecity.org>
Cc: hjborba <hjborba@gmail.com>
Sent: Tue, Dec 11, 2018 9:10 am
Subject: Garden District project

Dear Ms Palmquist,

I live at 2128 E 35th Ave, at the corner of 35th and Crestline. I would like to make just a few points with respect to the proposed Garden District development.

- First, I am alarmed about the city's support of a street connection between Crestline and Southeast Boulevard, which I read about in the Spokesman Review. The developer does not support the plan and I fear it would lead to a sharp increase in the amount and speed of automobile traffic on Crestline and throughout the area, which would detract from the neighborhood's tranquility and make walking and cycling (see next point) less appealing and potentially, more dangerous.
- Second, I would very much support increased permeability to foot and bike traffic, which would enhance the opportunities for active travel and allow area residents to reach many shopping, health care, and leisure destinations by walking or biking. You probably can see from city's maps that there are presently few facilities to support active travel, so maximizing sidewalks and mixed-use trails (along with appropriate street crossings, lighting and places to lock-up bikes) would be beneficial.
- Finally, I would like the city's assurance that green space and mature trees will be preserved and protected to the greatest extent possible. This is part of our city's 'green infrastructure', cleaning water and air, cooling the air in the summer, and making Spokane an attractive and livable city. I understand there was some plan to install a water tank on the property and I hope if this is true, that the tank can be placed in a position that does not detract from the area's natural beauty.

I appreciate your attention to these issues.

Sincerely,

Palmquist, Tami

From: pablomons@netscape.net
Sent: Tuesday, December 11, 2018 9:11 AM
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Palmquist, Tami

From: Amanda Gable <akmcvay@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 9, 2018 9:00 PM
To: Dean M Gable
Cc: Palmquist, Tami
Subject: Re: Garden District PUD - Z18-598PPUD - opposed to vehicular connection Crestline/31st to Southeast Blvd.

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Dear Ms. Palmquist:

I am in agreement with Dean Gable. I also live at 3705 S Crestline St, Spokane, WA 99203 and do not want a vehicular connection between Crestline/31st and Southeast Blvd.

Respectfully,

Amanda Gable

On Sun, Dec 9, 2018 at 6:31 PM Dean M Gable <deanmgable@alumni.purdue.edu> wrote:

Dear Ms. Palmquist:

I am writing to share my opinion regarding the upcoming hearing examiner's meeting Wednesday, Dec. 12.

My name is Dean Gable, I live at 3705 S Crestline St, Spokane, WA 99203, SE corner of Crestline and 37th in the Southgate neighborhood.

I'd like to share that I'm opposed to a vehicular connection between Crestline/31st and Southeast Blvd.

Thank you for your consideration of my opinion on this matter.

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Dean Gable

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Amanda Gable

Palmquist, Tami

From: Dean M Gable <deanmgable@alumni.purdue.edu>
Sent: Sunday, December 9, 2018 6:31 PM
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Palmquist, Tami

From: Sheri Engelken <sjengelken@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, December 9, 2018 1:18 PM
To: Palmquist, Tami
Subject: Garden District PUD

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My husband and I live at 1911 E 34th Ave, just a hundred yards from the SW corner of the proposed development. 34th Avenue already carries substantial East-West traffic. We live 1 ½ blocks from a Catholic elementary school on 34th Ave, and 3 ½ blocks from Hamblen elementary school at 37th & Crestline. We're also 2 blocks from the Spokane Public Library at 34th & Perry. There are so many pedestrians who use our street right now, that increasing auto traffic would create a safety hazard. The median at 29th & Pittsburg prevents westbound traffic on 29th Avenue from turning left onto Pittsburg, keeping Pittsburg (½ block from our house) from being a de facto arterial. If Crestline were to be "punched through from 34th Avenue to the Garden District PUD, our street (34th Ave) would become a de facto arterial for southbound traffic from both 29th Avenue and Southeast Boulevard. Please, please do not do this.

In addition, we enjoy the presence of so much wildlife in the urban forest around our property, e.g., moose (each of the last 2 winters; deer; coyotes; raccoons; turkeys; quail; Cooper's hawks; and a wide variety of other bird life). The Garden District PUD will already jeopardize a significant portion of that wildlife, but opening Crestline from 37th Avenue all the way through the PUD will exacerbate the problem. Part of why we bought our house here 15+ years ago was precisely because we could enjoy wildlife all around us. Don't kill that benefit.

Thank you,
Sheri Engelken

Sheri Engelken
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Palmquist, Tami

From: Amy Heppler <amyheppler@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 9, 2018 8:03 AM
To: Palmquist, Tami
Subject: Prioritize residents over commuters

I am writing to oppose Crestline connection to southeast.

I live in the Hamblen neighborhood. I have been here for 8 years and I have 4 school aged children who regularly walk along and across Crestline. We enjoy our neighborhood.

It is my opinion that placing a thru way in the neighborhood would deteriorate the neighborhood. We walk, run, and ride bikes. My children currently have the ability to safely and independently walk to friends homes in the neighborhood. They can currently cross Crestline from 45th without worrying. The traffic volume as it stands allows for that. If Crestline were to connect to Southeast this would change significantly. They would no longer have the freedom to independently walk to friends home across such a busy street. Our neighborhood would be divided and their quality of life diminished. If Crestline became a commuter route, it would cut my kids off from friends both before and after school. It would reduce their ability to bike and walk around the neighborhood. There is already a lack of sidewalks and streets that allow safe walking and biking for children.

Kids need a neighborhood where they can explore, get outside, bike with friends and have adventures. This neighborhood was designed to be a community. Neighborhoods are for living not for the convenience of commuters. Commuters both within Hamblen area and without have options of using Pittsburg or Regal. Please keep it that way. Do not sacrifice a community for convenience.

Also consider the PUD **Ordinance**. Not extending Crestline is more consistent with the design guidelines in the PUD ordinance. The PUD ordinance prioritizes pedestrian and bicycle connectivity over vehicle connectivity. It keeps the community intact.

Also remember that the Design Review Board unanimously voted in favor of the site design without Crestline. This design will preserve the urban forest and create a better buffer between the existing neighborhood and new development.

I am in the Southgate neighborhood. My neighborhood council does not agree with my opinion. It is a frustrating place to be where there is a large pocket that live near Hamblen school and Crestline that are not being represented by their council.

Thank you for your consideration
Amy Heppler

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