

Livability Committee

February 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes

1. Chris Kirwan and his architect presented their plan for a 10 story 127 unit apartment building on Lake and James. We had a roomful of neighbors (30+) in attendance and many substantive questions/issues were raised with their plan. Parking, traffic, SLO, Zoning and obviously the building height/mass headed the list of issues. A link to the detailed plans of the building are available and will be posted on the neighborhood website. Basically what was presented to us was exactly the same design that was submitted to the planning commission COW in January. Mr Kirwan politely attempted to answer all the questions, noting our concerns but did not give any indication that they were planning to make substantive changes before they go before the Planning commission. Date for the PC meeting has not been set. Best estimate is late April to mid May following the land use application. The sub committee that has been dealing with the ECP development agreed to take the lead on this as well. We expect and hope that more neighbors will join that team for this project. David Tompkins will continue as chair.

2. Basir Tareen and his development team Reuters Walton have modified their previous design. They have dropped the 4th story and are now in much closer compliance with the SLO 35' height and zoning limits. The livability subcommittee and the PC staff have given encouragement for the changes subject to seeing final design drawings. As a result of this, the planning commission hearing scheduled for February for this ECP property has moved to late March or early April. The attendees and livability committee in general is pleased with the process followed on his project, the interaction with the developer and the resulting design changes. Kudos to David Tompkins, his sub committee and all of the neighbors who supported this process. Also a thank you to Basir Tareen the property owner who has kept the neighborhood involved over the past 2 years as we have navigated to where we are today.

3. The signage for noise request effort continues to seek an outcome consistent with the rules of the park board for times and limits.

4. The pedestrian safety committee has posted the survey results along with the maps as part of their process for identifying where to take first actions.