

[EXTERNAL] Proposed development at Virginia park street and 3rd Avenue

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Hello,

My name is Frederick Henry Howard Jr and I live at 743 Virginia Park Street in the New center and Virginia park historic district. I am writing you today to voice my disapproval to the proposed development on Virginia park st and 3rd avenue.

As my house is only one house over from the corner, I will have an inescapable view of the proposed development on the corner of Virginia park and I am not in favor of the design that is being submitted. The design itself appears to me to be very Stark and modern And I especially dislike the cantilevered roof that they came up with. In addition to that I feel the density on this corner is Going to dramatically change the unique character of our immediate neighborhood and will also result in a decrease in property values which have only recently started to rise.

It is also my understanding that this condominium development will only offer on street parking for its soon to be residents, and that will present an already tricky situation with our parking on Virginia park with even more challenges. Many of the homes on Virginia park, including mine, have garages that were neglected over the decades and as a result, have been rendered useless so that we existing residents are already forced to park on the street as we have no other place to put our cars. If the condo cluster is allowed to be built and especially without their own garages, this is going to have a significant impact on the quality of life we residents currently enjoy.

I do urge the committee to vote against This proposal as it is currently drawn, and thank you for your consideration.

Most Sincerely,

Frederick H Howard Jr Owner of 743 Virginia Park Street Detroit mi.