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Comments Balkins Drive

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Hi,

I just sent my comments for the 28340 Balkins Drive appeal tonight. I do not know if I put Balkins Drive in the subject line.

Thank you,

Stephan Cirigliano

August 12, 2020

City of Agoura Hills Civic Center-Council Chambers 30001 Ladyface Court Agoura Hills, CA 91301

Dear City Council,

Well here we are again. I understand everyone has a right to an appeal, and I am in favor of the appeal process, but unless Mr. Aurora can give additional reasons why he feels a large two story home should be built up against a hill, with very little frontal or rear yardage, and a few feet from the street this appeal process is a waste of time for the Commission, and the residents that live around the proposed project.

The Commission has already voted 3-2 against this project, and unless Mr. Aurora has reworked his plans and reduced the footprint of his two story home, to a smaller one story home that accents the neighborhood of Old Agoura. I request the Commission reject by a majority vote this project once again. My wife rode horses since she was twelve, she rode competitively around the world, and when we were looking for a great community to settle into we found Old Agoura. The people were amazing, the homes were just the right size for the lots, and your horse was in your backyard, we were in heaven.

I know the process to build, and remodel can be a life experience, we know. The city made us jump through hoops to get a simple remodel of our older home, and our home was a simple one story, nestled back from the street, so I feel for Mr. Aurora, but his home is nothing like ours, or many of the homes that he wishes to compare it with. Many of the homes that Mr. Aurora mentioned in his last appearance before the Commission have been built years ago, and cannot compare to his. Mr. Aurora calls this his dream home, but it would be a nightmare to the residents, towering over the small private street. Lighting up the dark quant street, since his house is so tall, and close to the street I imagine he will have lots of outdoor lighting with the close proximity to the street.

I felt the commission was very fair to Mr. Aurora, and even one of the planning commissioners praised Mr. Aurora, as smart, and articulate, and stated that his home would be an environmental masterpiece. Etc. I have never heard this praising at a meeting. I just hope that the commission votes again to deny this home, based on previous letters, and recommendations, along with new letters, since I am assuming nothing has changed because Mr. Aurora has nothing to lose by coming in front of the Commission, again, with no additional plans to

Sincerely,

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