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Please see comments below from Kevin Murphy (KEMURPHY@MICROSOFT.COM)

Dear Magda Hogness,

I am writing in response to the EDG Proposal #2 posted on DCI's website 10/17/2016. None of the options shown in this proposal adequately respond to the requests and recommendations contained in the memo sent by you to Lucas Branham and Tony Fan on 10/5/2016.

I am especially disappointed in the lack of good faith effort by the Developer & Architect to take in account community & Design Review Board feedback. In addition, their plan appears to be intentionally misleading to the community. For example, in the mock-up designs, a critical feature, the garage entrance on Dewey Pl. is hidden by a tree that does not exist. This is clearly an attempt to hide a controversial element of the project to the community.

My other concerns:

Increasing the setback on Dewey Place E by 5 feet is not a good faith response to the community concern for a reasonable transition to single family housing.

The board also requested an option that showed how the existing tree canopy might be preserved. None of the options honor this request, as the canopy would not survive with the disturbance to their roots that would happen.

The board requested that the architect and developer communicate with the community. They did not reach out to the community. Furthermore, community efforts to engage them in a dialogue were rebuffed.

None of the options presented in the second version of the proposal has a community space as was requested by the community and strongly suggested by the board.

No alternative to an above ground parking garage (on Dewey) has been offered. Rather than moving the garage underground, it remains exposed to the public on the eastern side of the site. Furthermore, the pedestrian experience on the eastern side of the building appears to be overwhelming and oppressive.

I am disappointed in the EDG Proposal #2. It does not treat the community's concerns or the board's recommendations and requests with the seriousness they deserve.