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Please see comments below from Greg Frick (gdfrick@uw.edu)

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.

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 destruction of the tree canopy will impact the whole neighborhood. This is clear to see if you were to walk the neighborhood you would see that the tree canopy is visible is visible from many vantage points and a ~70' wall would really blight the neighborhood.

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. I have been incredibly impressed with the moderate tone and desire to engage from the Madison Valley Community. This is truly a community that does not wish to stop growth, but it does wish to influence it in a manner that is consistent with the community and transitions gracefully into the residential area.

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.