Greetings everyone,

My name is Lev Milaychev. I am New Monterey resident residing at 638 Archer St.

I strongly oppose elimination of any public review process of two and three story buildings. 3-story was to be an exception, yet there is nothing in the plan that makes 3-story an exception.

The system of checks and balances is a profound business concept that is there for a reason. Staff has a poor track record for discerning ‘good design.’ Eliminating Planning Commission and ARC review is not in the public’s interest.

Also I would like to suggest requiring use of document revision tracking – such as available in MS Word. It was odd to see no revision tracking in place; it makes the review process more time consuming for the public and ARC members.

And last but not the least – great thanks to the chairman of the ARC committee for truly listening to the voices of the community RE building heights!

Thank you for your consideration,

Lev.
Fwd: Lighthouse Sppecific Plan
1 message

Christine Hopper <hopper@monterey.org>  
To: Mary-Kathryn Salameh <msalameh@monterey.org>, Kimberly COLE <cole@monterey.org>  

FYI

From: gregg dexter <
Date: Tue, May 3, 2016 at 2:09 PM
Subject: Lighthouse Sppecific Plan
To: "hopper@monterey.org" <hopper@monterey.org>

Hello Ms Hopper

I'm of the opinion that "if" 3 stories is to be an exception, I feel that 3/4 of the rooms available on that 3rd story should be for low cost senior housing, and none of the room taken up with restaurants or large empty space except in connection with the senior housing

Sincerely

Gregg & Katherine Dexter

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Fwd: Travesty!!!
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Christine Hopper <hopper@monterey.org>          Tue, May 3, 2016 at 11:42 AM
To: Kimberly COLE <cole@monterey.org>, Mary-Kathryn Salameh <msalameh@monterey.org>

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From: Sandra Freel < >
Date: Tue, May 3, 2016 at 10:48 AM
Subject: Travesty!!!
To: "hopper@monterey.org" <hopper@monterey.org>

Deemed okay if the three stories are of GOOD DESIGN? I smell a rat and it smacks of pay off. Will the crookedness EVER end?

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Fwd: Lighthouse Specific Plan 3 story exception

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To: Kimberly COLE <cole@monterey.org>, Christine Hopper <hopper@monterey.org>, Mary-Kathryn Salameh <msalameh@monterey.org>

Mon, May 2, 2016 at 11:38 AM

I think Mr. Calliott meant this to go to Mary-Kathryn instead of to me?

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From: Gregor Calliott
Date: Mon, May 2, 2016 at 11:34 AM
Subject: Lighthouse Specific Plan 3 story exception
To: hopper@monterey.org salameh@monterey.org
Cc: Di Calliott <

This is regarding an upcoming meeting (Wed 4 May in City Council Chambers) at which an important decision will be made.
Unfortunately, we cannot make it.

But we would like you to know that we, as home owners and citizens of Monterey, do not like the idea that a 3-story building can be approved without any public, ARC or Planning Commission review, and that no no use permit will be required. The staff should not have this power singularly just because is feels it might be a "good design." There still could be problems with such buildings and the public, especially land owners, need to be involved in such decisions.

We feel that this 3-story policy on Lighthouse should be an exception, and if so, then there needs be a process to decide the exception.
Perhaps if not a use permit, then at least ARC review should be mandatory.

Our right to a view is a very important part of our living here and we already have enough problems with the over-grown tree situation.
We do not need more 3-story buildings.

Respectfully yours,

Gregor and Diane Calliott
712 Grace Street, Monterey, CA 93940
Lighthouse specific plan
1 message

Carole Hayter <
Reply-To: Carole Hayter 
To: Hopper Christy <hopper@monterey.org>, Salameh Mary-Kathryn <msalameh@monterey.org>

Mon, May 2, 2016 at 1:56 PM

I don't believe staff should approve an exception eg. a three story plan, without public review. If, in fact, a 3 story application is an exception, there needs to be a process to decide the exception. Thanks. Carole Hayter, New Monterey
Lighthouse Avenue Specific Plan Revisions
1 message

Howard Fosler
To: msalameh@monterey.org
Cc: Sharon Dwight, Nancy Runyon

Thu, Apr 21, 2016 at 5:16 PM

Architectural Review Committee
City of Monterey

Dear Committee Members,

On April 1, I wrote to you asking that development along Lighthouse Avenue be limited to height limitations of 25 feet without review and 35 feet with review. You approved the third story height limitations, but without any review.

I believe that committee/board review is essential if we are to retain any control whatsoever over style, bulk, use, form base or not. It should not be an automatic approval for a third story. Third stories complicate things and they merit tighter scrutiny. We are not saying no to them. We are simply saying let us take a closer look at them rather than just routinely approve them.

Please carefully ponder the pressure future ARC’s and Planning Commissions will likely be under and protect the interests of the people of New Monterey and their expressed desire for limits on height by requiring a variance permit and a public hearing for exceptions to the two story rule on Lighthouse Avenue.

Without this oversight provision third story building will be the unencumbered norm, not the well considered exception, as we certainly hope it will be long into the future.

Thank you.

Howard Fosler
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