

ORD 21-52 Rezone 1708 Selby public comment received by Ward 4

Dear Councilperson Jalali Nelson,

As a 22 year resident, property owner and small business owner I am writing with concerns regarding the rezone of the property at 1708 Selby Ave.

My concerns include, the loss of light at views with a 5-story building, the apartments will not be affordable, the lack of design plans and the threat of paving the property if Mr. Schwartzman doesn't get his rezone. The proposed rezone and development will not address the affordable housing shortage and will make the neighborhood less attractive. How does this rezone provide long term, owner based housing for the community? It doesn't and that is where we must seek solutions rather than more market rate, unaffordable, light blocking apartments.

Please vote no on this rezone.

Sincerely,
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