

To the City Council:

I would like for the City Council to approve the proposed changes to the residential design standards as recommended by the Planning Commission, especially for Macalester-Groveland and Highland Parks neighborhoods, as reported in the June 10-23 Villager newspaper.

In my opinion, most of the new houses I've seen that replaced houses that were torn down are too large as compared to near by houses, often the design is out of character with near by houses and thus do not fit into the neighborhood. Some of the teardown replacement houses I've seen are so large that there almost no back yard.

If the City Council approves the proposed changes to the residential design standards as recommended by the Planning Commission I would like to say "Thank You".

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