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I am writing to discuss the proposed land use redesignation for the property at 4115 26th Avenue SW.

I am OPPOSED to the land use redesignation.

I am in favor of a well-planned density growth of Calgary. However, this is at odds with a blanket rezoning. The rezoning would create a mishmash of housing types and designs which would ruin the aesthetic and commonality of living in a community such as Glendale/Glendale Meadows.

There are no other plans for H-GO along the corridor of 26th Avenue between 37th and 49th Streets. The appearance of this style of building would be detrimental to the aesthetic of the community.

I specifically chose Glendale over 25 years ago, as it is zoned RC-1 hoping it would be preserved. The beautiful bungalows with thoughtful, planned, large yards and wonderful quiet streets stand in contrast to the community developments to the south (Glenbrook) and east (Killarney). The problems are already being created by looking to the eastern portion of 26th Avenue between 37th Street and Crowchild Trail in Killarney. The on-street parking and traffic chaos is a twice daily occurrence. I used to live in Killarney and opted to move to Glendale once the infills started creating a canyon of the streets. Glenbrook to the south is zoned RC-2, and it is a nightmare of traffic, parking, and huge houses towering over the street with no curb appeal. The streets are too narrow to allow for on-street parking and drivers.

The need for rezoning the property at 4115 26th Avenue to create more options for affordable housing will not be the result. Housing developers do not want to create affordable housing. They want to create the largest value for the dollars they are spending. Developers will buy up as many properties as possible and then place as many residences as possible on each property, selling them each at the cost of the single property they just purchased. In effect doubling, tripling, or quadrupling their profits. The only ones who benefit from the rezoning are the developers. Not the previous owners who enjoyed the space they raised their families and wanted to retire in, nor the new owners who just paid a large premium for space a third of what the original owners enjoyed. This is already occurring on 40th Street where two fourplexes have been built within Glendale boundaries. The large high density complexes being built along 17th Avenue near the LRT are also failures of the community and the city. The encroachment of large density housing into Glendale is happening now and needs to stop.

I don't want this rezoning to affect the community of Glendale and therefore I OPPOSE the land use redesignation at 4115 26th Avenue SW.

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