



Public Submission

CC 968 (R2024-05)

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First name [required] Marcus

Last name [required] Corning

How do you wish to attend?

You may bring a support person should you require language or translator services. Do you plan on bringing a support person?

What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required] Council

Date of meeting [required] Sep 10, 2024

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#).)

[required] - max 75 characters LOC2024-0050

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In opposition



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Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)

September 10, 2024

RE: Written Speech Marcus Corning LOC2024-0050

- My name is Marcus Corning
- Please accept the below written words in lieu of a public speech due to a timing conflict.
- My words represent the views of 1636, 1632 and 1630. All of which have provided letters of opposition to the rezoning.
- My intention here is to not rehash what has already been provided to and not considered by the City's Planning Commission based on their current recommendations to approve the up-zoning application.
- My intention is to appeal to you my fellow citizens and neighbors.
- I have been a resident of Calgary for over 20 years.
- During that time I have lived in many different parts of the City, but primarily in the Beltline.
- I love Calgary. My wife and I live in Sunalta at 1636 13 Ave.
- We have always been drawn to 13 Ave as it is a special street with history and neighborly love as deep rooted as its elm tree canopy.
- We are proud of our inner-city community as it represents people from all walks of life and demographics. It to us represents an example of some of the best of our city.
- The Sunalta ARP is important, and to reclassify 1633 and 1635 away from the Conservation and Infill potentially threatens 115 years of history and preservation.
- We do not oppose thoughtful and respectful densification.
- We **do oppose** the applicants request to upzone to H-GO and the Planning Commission's recommendation given the lack of consideration by both parties with respect to the existing structures on the street.
- Why is this application being recommended for approval with such haste and blanket disregard for the unique considerations of our community? The application was not even debated at the July 18, 2024 Planning Commission Meeting.
- It is important that public record is accurate.
- The applicant has not provided meaningful consultation, and the comments provided by them to the Planning Commission are not entirely factual. No one has ever knocked on my door; I have surveillance footage to prove it. No one has ever returned my calls; I have the phone logs to prove it.
- The owners of 1633 and 1635 are not vested in our community and have no desire beyond house flipping for financial gain. Both addresses are only owner occupied for Capital Gain Exemption status. This is evident by the lack of Development Plan ("DP"), the lack of financial capacity based on publicly available titles which are heavily mortgaged on the subjected properties, the numerous bylaw infractions (snow removal and grass cutting) and the owner's complacency to register their vehicles in Alberta.
- We as a community must look beyond the individual greed of the few and look to preserve and enhance what those before us cared for and left for the many.
- I know, we together can achieve the broader goals of our city while preserving the heritage that makes our community unique.

- Typically, a request to upzone would be supported by a DP. There is no DP for this application. Leaving us as concerned citizens unsure of the intentions behind the rezoning.
- Given H-GO's generic relaxation around offsets this poses a potential for significant disruption to the flow and character of the street.
- The current MCG 72 zoning respects the existing offsets of our street and allows for the broader goal of creating increased living spaces for family-oriented housing.
- I appeal to you, my fellow Calgarians to stand up for our community and deny this upzoning application. If this application is approved as proposed, it could potentially damage our street and our heritage. I ask you directly, what is right? Selling out to the highest bidder or protecting our heritage while achieve the goals of our community to foster that Calgarian spirit we love.
- Should Council support the application, at a minimum we must condition the applications H-GO's rezoning to align with the existing offsets of the neighboring properties on the street.
- Thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide comments to you.