

Roakes, Raymond A. - PDR

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To: Roakes, Raymond A. - PDR
Subject: Concerns about Development Proposals for 3412 W Franklin St.

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Dear Mr. Roakes,

I live on the 3400 block of West Franklin Street in the Museum District and have recently learned some new details about plans to develop the lot a few houses down. I understand from conversations with our neighbor that the developer, Center Creek, is looking to turn what was a lot with one small ranch-style home into two mega-rowhomes that will tower above the surrounding residences. To preserve the character of our street and neighborhood, **I'm asking that the UDC rejects the request by the developer to increase the height of the cornice of these new rowhomes.**

We are supportive of the new development in general and even of the decision to make this lot into two homes which will increase urban density. We think that the newly proposed square footage (which would put square footage on this lot at MORE THAN 2X that of any other lot on our block) with the expanded 3rd floor and total building height is pushing the limits a bit too far and will look wildly out of place here. While we understand the developer's desire to maximize profits, we think there needs to be some stronger limits on how they go about this.

These gaslight blocks of Franklin Street are among the most special places in our beloved neighborhood. We've lived in the Museum District for 5 years (first on Grace Street and now here on this block) and our children go to Cary Elementary. We LOVE our neighborhood and our street and I hope that we can all work together to keep developers from making choices that damage the character here.

Thank you for your consideration and support and please let me know if I can be of any help to you and your team.

Sincerely,
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