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Subject: Please reinstate the 180 lost units of housing at 55th and Arapahoe from the EBSP
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Dear members of the Planning Board,

I am writing to encourage you to reinstate the 180 units of housing that were recently cut by City Council from the East Boulder Subcommunity Plan out of concern for the industrial area just north of the site. Unfortunately I cannot attend the meeting in person, so I am writing to express my thoughts.

I do appreciate the reluctance of some Council members to place housing in undesirable locations, and I am sure some members of PB share the same reluctance. It is indeed essential not to repeat the mistakes made in the past regarding the proximity of low-income housing to sources of environmental pollution. This practice is an important cause of structural and spatial inequality and racism in our country.

However, our community is in desperate need of housing - all types of housing (except, of course, more luxury housing). The entire nation is experiencing a housing crisis, and many of our neighbors are sleeping in their cars or on the streets. 180 units will not solve our local housing crisis, but cutting them is a step in the wrong direction that will ultimately slow progress on this important issue.

At council's discussion of the 180 units, one issue expressed was that affordable housing should not be placed in undesirable locations. But to my understanding, this site has not been designated for affordable housing yet. Therefore there is still an opportunity to put market-rate housing on the site and to designate more desirable locations elsewhere for affordable housing.

Thank you, Caitlin

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I wanted to let you know that I support the full number of apartments that was initially proposed for the East Boulder Community near Arapahoe and 55<sup>th</sup> St. We need all the housing we can get in the City of Boulder and it is up to people themselves to decide if they want to live near Cordon Pharma. I don't think City Council or the Planning Board needs to make that decision for them.

Thank you,  
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