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Subject: 2740 Ruby Ave - Special use permit and rezoning
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Hello,

We are residents of [redacted] for the past 14 years.
As residents of this neighborhood, which is walking distance from 2740 Ruby Avenue, the proposed site of a new temple, we have the following concerns to the special use permit and the rezoning request for this location and therefore request the city planning department to decline the permit and the rezoning request.

1. Based on the plans submitted for the temple, it seems like the structures being built will be completely out-of-sync from the overall character of the neighborhood, which is residential and consists primarily of 1 or 2 story houses. It will be an overbearing structure especially with the much smaller houses around it. Whatever structure being built should respect the current character of the neighborhood.
2. The temple is to accommodate more than 300 families (so an average of 1000+ people) at events. This amount of attendance will result in multi-fold increased traffic at the Ruby Ave and Norwood intersection. The intersection is used by multiple students during school time (elementary, middle school and high school students), as well as on weekends for going to classes & other activities. The intersection is also used by residents when going for walks/runs/biking around the neighborhood. The added traffic will cause significant safety concerns for all of us living in the area.

Note that we don't oppose the proposal that a temple be built at the temple. We absolutely welcome a place of worship for those who need it. But we cannot welcome it with the traffic and safety concerns it is causing for the neighborhood and the community in which it is being built.

We respectfully ask that you decline the special use application and the rezoning request as it has been submitted, with the current plans & proposal since they are incompatible with the neighborhood & community.

Thanks,
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