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Subject: FW: Proposed hotel
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FYI...

Take care,

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Dear Dolores

Please include my comments for the public meeting on the proposed hotel.

Thank you to the PCDC for considering my comments. I urge you to reject the proposed hotel project. The current plan shows lack of respect for the character of our small town and does not address the climate emergency we are living in. It is very poorly conceived as currently planned and I am concerned that it will have more of a negative impact on our town, locals, businesses and climate if it is approved.

In a time of climate crisis/emergency how is this building and business sustainable?

The size and scope of the hotel would destroy the ambience and charm of our friendly small downtown Main Street. At 3 stories high the proposed hotel would destroy the iconic viewshed that so many visitors and residents enjoy. This building sets a precedent for future development. Could we stop more 3 story buildings from being built if this one goes through? Is this the beginning of the end of our beautiful unique town?

Our waste water facility continues to offend us with putrid smells when we walk the trail bordering it. Residents continue to pay higher fees to haul away sludge for a waste water facility that does not work properly. To add more sewage and waste to this will only compound the problem. What about the water a new waste water for the 80 room and the laundry? if there is no laundry on premises what is their proposal for washing sheets and towels? how will this additional water use affect our wastewater system? Will residents be subsidizing the water and sewer usage of this hotel ? Will this be yet another problem for our overworked BOT to deal with?

Have you considered the real life impact from parking all these cars? Imagine walking or biking in

town with 80 more cars being parked? What about the congestion, the heat from exhaust, increase of ozone from idling and parking cars, the increased health risks to residents and visitors. These are critical concerns.

My understanding is that the Lyons Fire District does not have the equipment or the training to fight a 3-story fire at the center of Downtown Lyons. Would Moss Rock Group pay for needed upgrades?

The proposed hotel would be in a Lyons Urban Renewal Authority area. It is my understanding that property tax revenue would not go to the General Fund but rather go for the usage of the LURA area benefiting the owners. If so this it is not an economic boon to Lyons and its residents.

What is the business plan for the the hotel during slow season? Will the town offer even more events because it has a hotel with empty rooms that it wants to fill for tax revenue? What would this mean for quality of life for locals who already are overwhelmed with the negative impacts of tourism including ozone, noise, traffic, overcrowded parks and open space during tourist season.

This hotel as designed is not offering a solution but decreases our quality of life and increases our climate risk. Let us think more deeply about the issues being raised and not push through this plan.

May our best intentions be realized for the benefit of all beings.

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Be Well
Marianne

“Without the soaring birds, without the great forests, the free-flowing streams, the sight of the clouds by day, and the stars by night, we become impoverished in all that makes us human.” – Thomas Berry, The Great Work