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FYI – Public Comment for the Lyons Hotel.



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**Subject:** Support for the three-story Hotel

Dear members of the BOT and Town Staff,  
I support a larger building in downtown, and wanted to share with you three reasons why:

1. Towns like Lyons, Hygiene, and Superior play important roles as centers of housing and businesses within Boulder County.

We are uniquely positioned to be a solution to the housing needs in our region, and unless we annex additional town land, we need to grow upwards. A three story hotel may provide precedence for a three story mixed-use apartment/retail somewhere along the Main/Broadway strip. More-vertical towns allow for more surrounding areas to remain natural space. We've got the open space in spades, but we still need the housing. I wouldn't support anything above three stories, but within the central core of our town, I think it makes some sense.

2. Buildings are constructed much more safely today and the hotel will likely have an internal sprinkler system. Designing it to be resistant to fire should be a major criteria imposed by the town. The proposed internal courtyard could become a giant chimney if they filled it with wicker furniture and wood tables for instance.

3. Parking will be a problem, but it'll give locals more of an incentive to walk, ride bikes or take the golf cart. Let's fix our sidewalks, add bike lanes, and build a golf-cart parking lot with plenty of bike racks.

Thanks for everything you do,

Ian Brighton  
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*"the way to right wrongs is to turn the light of truth upon them" -Ida B. Wells*  
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