

David Kornfield

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Further questions have come to my mind. Please include in tonight's hearing:

(6) How will the applicant prevent mud, soil, or rocks to slide onto our property?

(7) We want to be informed of excavation and/or demolition times at least one week ahead so we can keep windows closed.

(8) What are the safety procedures for removal of lead paint and asbestos? The existing structure was built in 1960's or earlier and likely has these dangerous substances.

Thanks,

Alice Kwei and Stanley Quan

From: Alice Kwei <a3168kw@hotmail.com>
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To: planning@losaltosca.gov; zdahl@losaltosca.gov
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Dear Design Review Commission,

We live at 2050 Kent Drive, on the immediate East side of 2046 Kent Drive, the project to be reviewed at tonight's public hearing. We did not have a chance to attend the applicant's proposed development review held at his property at 10 AM Saturday, December 9th, because his invitation letter was left in our mailbox way too late; we found it on the day of the review way past 10 AM. A cursory review of the information on the Planning Division web site led us to the following concerns/questions about the project:

(1) Which way is the proposed 400-ft addition on the first story? Is it on the East side toward the fence bordering our properties?

(2) Their property is at an elevation higher than our property. We have a bathroom facing their side. Currently their property has no windows to look through into our bathroom. However, the addition of a second story will likely invade our privacy because they will be able to see our bathroom through their second-story windows. There's mention of pittosporum hedge to 'mitigate' the impact. Will the hedge grow tall and dense enough to block the view? How fast will the hedge grow? How close will the hedge be to the existing fence bordering the properties? Additionally, their second story will overlook our back yard and our activities in the back yard will be completely visible to them, which is highly undesirable.

(3) Will the construction impact any part of the existing fence bordering our properties? What if the workers damage the fence? Will the application cover the damages? If the construction damages our trees, will the applicant cover the damages? I'm not sure if there are water pipes adjacent to our properties; if the construction damages our water pipes, will the applicant cover the damages?

(4) What is the duration of the construction? What are the daily construction hours? What if the project exceeds the planned duration? Construction projects of this size are easily delayed beyond the original schedule. Does the applicant have a plan to keep the construction to schedule and to a reasonable duration with a maximum upper bound? This is a quiet neighborhood, we do not desire on-going noises and construction vehicles.

(5) If the construction takes place, we do not want any of the construction workers to cross over to our property. This is a must.

Thank you and sincerely,

Alice Kwei and Stanley Quan