

To Design Review Commission,

July 13, 2020

I am the owner of 1020 Rilma Lane, one of the two Rilma Lane properties that directly borders 1035 Ray. I listened to the June 3rd DRC review. I have three related feedback comments to relay to DRC. They are expressed below:

- 1- **Fence Location:** Owners of 1035 Ray paid dearly for their property. They should get to keep and enjoy every inch of it. If owners of 1030 Rilma desire extra clearance room for their detached garage / ADU, they should negotiate with 1035 Ray, pay for it, change city and county records, and officially take ownership. Owners of 1035 Ray should not be penalized for 1030 Rilma's unauthorized and unpermitted conversion of their detached garage, in 2008, into an ADU that sits only one foot away from the boundary. It should be noted that owners of 1030 Rilma have insisted on having a fence with 1020 Rilma that gives them only one foot of clearance from their detached garage / ADU. If that situation is suitable for the boundary between 1030 Rilma and 1020 Rilma, it should also be suitable for the boundary between 1030 Rilma and 1035 Ray as well. Furthermore, if DRC recommends an extra clearance beyond official boundary for 1030 Rilma's unauthorized detached garage / ADU, it will establish an unmanageable legal precedence for many old Los Altos neighbors with ADUs less than four feet away from official boundaries.
- 2- **Location and Species of Trees:** These matters should only comply with the DRC recommendations. They should not be subject to neighbors' varied tastes and random whims. Otherwise, DRC will establish another unmanageable precedence complicating future design reviews.
- 3- **Proposed Design:** As long as the 1035 Ray proposal meets all the normal and established Los Altos design rules, it should be approved without any further delay.

Sincerely,

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1020 Rilma Lane