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Laura Hunt

shared her first post.

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Hello members of Together Bloomington. We are in need of your support! Please see below for information regarding a proposed medium density development in Penn Lake Neighborhood.

Say No to Rezone! Have you heard about the proposed development at the corner of W 86th St and Penn Ave S? A developer wants to have the property rezoned for medium-density housing in order to put in 15 new townhomes on the 1.8 acre lot. This means tearing down many of the mature trees and flattenin... See More

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Corey Hawkinson

Where is the information coming from that it will raise the water level of Penn Lake? I thought the development plan included catch basins?

Also, would it be bad or good to raise Penn Lake by a couple feet?

I'm curious. I'm not trying to be a jerk.

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Terri Wingard Painter

Corey Hawkinson Every year there is more erosion and not much to stop it.

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Tracie L Carlson Barb Storm right?

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Lin Sod Bloomington is blooming. It's not the wonder years anymore. Old shopping centers and derelict office parks would be better locations tho - No?

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Heather A Christen Lin Sod Yes, old Southtown shopping mall plenty of empty buildings there, and now they are building a massive transit station there so it would be a better spot.

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Anita Smithson There are few places in Bloomington to build more homes for more neighbors. And this is a good way to expand the property tax base. I can see arguments for reducing the size slightly, but I think this is a great spot for townhomes / higher density.

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Amy Gaukel Jensen I think it's a great location and use of land.

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Travis Beck I love the idea of this development there. Sorry.

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Chase Saiki How is more people moving to Bloomington a good thing? Honest question from a homeowner here.

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Anita Smithson more properties in our tax base. More neighbors = more people hopefully shopping in our businesses, eating in our restaurants, working or playing in our city. People need to go somewhere - so why not attract people here? We have a lot to offer.

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Laura Dreon Anita Smithson more ppl paying taxes

Like · Reply · 20h

Lin Sod Bloomington is a place people would choose to love and raise their families, or live a lifetime and retire in.

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Barb Storm which corner is it going to be on?

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Corey Hawkinson Barb Storm the northeast corner of Penn and 86th.

Like · Reply · 20h

Lin Sod Are any of you renters who would like to speak in a meeting with HRA analyst Cherie Choquist?? I spent an hour on phone with her last Friday trying to understand when or if or how the most deeply affordable needs can be met.

Idea arose to have a zoom meeting w/recent displacees but since displaced not sure how many of my folx I can track down.

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Andy Mattice No! We keep losing green space, especially East of penn!! I think the penn lake area should be our veterans memorial site..

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Bloomington. The development has the planned 20% green space required as per city code.

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Jill Westendorp Chad Casper yes, people are more important than trees. It still makes me sad when healthy trees are killed. I really like trees. But sometimes you just gotta be sad and accept it. And plant new trees.

Like · Reply · 17h

Chad Casper Jill Westendorp plant new trees! We have three 60'+ trees in the back yard that we have to remove for safety of ours and our neighbors home.

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Gerri Gulbrandson Leonard I don't like it, but if this goes forward, there should be fewer homes. 15 seems like greed.

Like · Reply · 18h

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Lin Sod Before he left town Dr Eric Johnson PhD (consultant on housing in Bimgtn) said he drove new developers around town and said see this, see that, see those and showed them where surface parking lots needed to be merged and where oldey old office parks ne... See More

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Reed Osell Good. More multifamily housing please

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Kristy Willi I don't like the location as it is already busy on Penn-not sure what they are doing with the 35/494 split (talked about removing exits along it). If any exits are removed on it, then they will go to Penn and if they add the homes, even more congestio... See More

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Heather A Christen For any of you that think this is a good idea... drive by the corner of 86th & Penn. This proposed location is backed up to Penn Lake, has massive trees, residential houses surrounding it. They are going to have to dig out or build back up to keep it from flooding... not to mention what an eyesore it would be... also they have been building a bunch of medium density housing in Southtown Area.

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Jenny Hunt Taffe Heather A Christen technically those two lots do not back up to Penn Lake.

Like · Reply · 1h

Teresa Sathre Heather, why is housing an eyesore?

Like · Reply · 1h

Anita Smithson Townhomes are residential homes too.

Like · Reply · 1h

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Teresa Sathre Ok, so for everyone who has a gripe- where do you propose more housing? There is nothing wrong with this spot. Yes, we will lose mature trees, has anyone asked if they plan on replanting trees?

I am in favor of more housing (apts/condos, townhouses, ... See More

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Andy Mattice Teresa Sathre no, we don't need more buildings... every block in this city is occupied by a building(sarcasm) but it's close to every.. families will always move here... I don't know where you're seeing that people don't move here.. every house that g... See More

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buildings/lots that sit all over central and Eastside. Maybe, the city should also talk to the school board to figure out how adding another s... See More

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Anita Smithson Andy Mattice I mean... it's a city. Of course we don't have empty blocks or empty lots. We aren't 1950s Bloomington anymore.

Like · Reply · 36m1

Teresa Sathre Andy, also if you want to talk about money. More density means more distribution of taxes & considering Bloomington has put a large portion of tax relief on the hospitality industry here and now with COVID it has tanked & the MOA is not making payments, and could possibly go under... how do you think that'll affect the citizens?

Density is not a negative... it is growth & without growth the city cannot thrive.

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Write a reply...

NEIGHBORHOOD ACT" Angie Gehrke McKinley I support multi-family housing when it can


Lin Sod shared a link.

15h

Just sharing. This flew in over the transome. Wrapped around a brick of Nimby.

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Eric Christen Boo!!! As a union construction worker all I can say is "boo" to these pre fabbed buildings. They are taking away our jobs.

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Lin Sod replied · 2 Replies · 6m

Amy Dybing

57m

Any local companies still doing fall aeration and overseeding? I missed my window to do it with Fertilawn, who we currently use for lawn care.

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more property tax revenue.

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Jane Schmit Fisher

The story I heard is The developer of this property voted no when he was on city council to rezoning it (when someone else owned it). Now that he bought it, he thinks doing what he voted against is a good idea. I say we make him stick with his original opinion. NO REZONING!!!

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Jenny Hunt Taffe

Jane Schmit Fisher I don't believe either Steve Furlong or Brian Clemens served on the city council. Is there another developer I'm unaware of?

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Jane Schmit Fisher

its just what I was told by a neighbor. If it isn't true I will happily delete it

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Jenny Hunt Taffe

Jane Schmit Fisher it isn't true. Brian Clemens ran for city council last year, but he was not elected.

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Jane Schmit Fisher

turns our maybe that was a good thing if these are the kinds of decisions he would have promoted. Not good for Bloomington

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Lonna Johnson

Done!!! Quit tearing up what beautiful areas are left in Bloomington!!! I use that intersection frequently and don't need more traffic or sterile brick walls to stare at!! So many other areas that can be utilized for housing!! Not to mention what it would do to the neighborhood!!!

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Nancy Stinson

No to rezone!

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Vickie Burch-Peterson

Call and email you council members councilsecretary@BloomingtonMN.gov tbusse@bloomingtonmn.gov dlowman@bloomingtonmn.gov snelson@bloomingtonmn.gov jbaloga@bloomingtonmn.gov pmartin@bloomingtonmn.gov jcarter@bloomingtonmn.gov ... See More

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Laura Hunt

Author Vickie Burch-Peterson you can also email city-council@bloomingtonmn.gov which goes to all councilmembers, the mayor and the city planner.

Like · Reply · 1d

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Vickie Burch-Peterson

Laura Hunt Yes, thank you. Be sure to add the councilsecretary@BloomingtonMN.gov to all emails, it then gets recorded for Data purposes.

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Alan Larson

That is a horrible intersection to begin with. For the house that's there getting in-and-out of there and accessing that for years that has been blocked for redevelopment for more housing because of that access problem. Why all of a sudden is it not a problem for the developer? Is somebody being paid off?

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Keira Stevens

Signed!!

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Lisa Sulack

What does this part mean: and all developer/owner applications to the city.?

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Laura Hunt

Author Lisa Sulack the developer/owner has applied for several different applications to be reviewed by the city. One for the plat, one for the rezoning, one for the comprehensive plan, and one for the final development plans.

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