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To the City of Whittier City Council,

I am expressing my concern regarding your consideration to develop the property at 9829 La Serna Dr. as Townhouses, Condominiums, and a dog park.

The structures do not conform with the existing single-family homes in the area.

I am concerned that the structures will impact access to the hospital and the other businesses nearby. The traffic will impede the usage of Janine Drive. This traffic will affect the safety of students going and coming to school.

Will the police and fire departments be able to respond and provide services to 42 units which could potentially house 168 people or more?

Where will the 84 trash cans be serviced? How long will the pick-up take and what impact will it have on accessing the street and hospital, not excluding the noise factor.

I am concerned that the extra cars from this structure will be parking on the single-family housing streets nearby; blocking driveways and taking up all the street parking, thus not allowing homeowners to access their properties.

The City of Whittier already has a car burglary problem. With the increase in cars, this situation only exacerbates the situation.

I question the methodology of the City Council when they reached out to property owners who would be affected by this development. I believe that the City Council should have done more than the minimum, at the start of this project, to reach out to more nearby properties. I believe that the City Council ignored the wider impact of this project as the property does not sit on Whittier Blvd.

In the future, I suggest a monthly report on Nextdoor, like Chief Barr, and monthly report as Cathy Warner does in a local magazine or a monthly/quarterly mailed newsletter. The City Council should note that not everyone is on social media or has access to computers. Also, it is difficult to find the Zoom information to attend city council meetings.

In conclusion, I am opposed to the current proposed plan. I am strongly suggesting the City Council reconsider this development. Pursuant to 2.05.030 WMC I request the city council review decisions and actions of the Design Review Board and Planning Commission.

Yours truly,

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