

Comment Cards from Attention Homes Project Open Houses: February 16 & 23, 2016

**Best translation of handwritten comments in no particular order*

- “Thank you for the work you do! I mentioned a Youtube video to several people tonight. It’s called Second Look, about a storefront run by homeless teens selling clothing (used?) w/tags citing statistics on homeless youth to educate the public, as well as support for their program. We are honored to welcome this program to our neighborhood.” --Judy Gilligan [sp?] and David Kline [sp?] 1829 Mapleton.
 - “Excited for this project and all the positive impact it will have on our youth!”
 - “If I lived in this neighborhood my concern would be aesthetics of the new “wall” (façade) that now obscures the open space of many years. I hope the façade along 15th st. (the longer wall) will feature gables—the best I can think of to blend into the older bldgs. (Quasi-gables). I attend this church. I HOPE—if I lived here—the street-side façade would be my concern; that I’d believe in the mission of the project.” –Elaine Taylor
 - “Serving the at risk need is important! Doing something at the scale you are planning is too much for this neighborhood.” --John Driver
 - “Why don’t you look at another site that would give you more capacity without breaking the existing zoning.”
 - “Great project! Go team, go.”
 - “Bending the zoning for 40 units is too much!”
 - “Way to do this in the best possible way!”
 - “We are very concerned about the design and size of the building and amount of traffic that will be generated. Design should be in harmony with the historic character of the neighborhood and not too massive. Parking should not be increased over existing numbers of parking spaces. Don’t increase the traffic on Pine Street!” --Jim and Mary Downton. 1515 Mapleton
 - “Massing? Scale? Height? I’m worried. Pro-program.”
 - “I am in full support! I think this housing project is something for Attention Homes to be extremely proud of. I also think it’s something for the Whittier Neighborhood and Boulder in general to support, engage, with, embrace, and be proud of. No matter the opposition that is voiced, please know that many of us are excited and care deeply about the people who need these homes. No matter what the building looks like, how many units there are, potential traffic impacts, etc., the most important thing is that people in need will have homes.”
 - “Way too massive and institutional for this site.”
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- “Too much for the neighborhood. Distribute the units across all of Boulder—leave 2 buildings=8 units @ this site. ‘Spread the damage.’”
- “This project has heart! I believe it can also offer to the community leadership in architecture. Chi-energy-m—more heart. Tech advanced. Leeds. Innovative thinking. Carbon footprint. Think small mini house. RV type thinking. Space utilization. We are all mortgaging debt on the backs of these kids. Simple fung shewei [sic]. If the neighborhood—and the city!—is proud to have this building and inspires weekend warriors to use some of its ideas maybe its design [is] raising the bar in the neighborhood = the value this could have for the future.”
- “I’d suggest 2 or more layers of underground parking. Outdoor R&R space for the kids would be great. In terms of the neighborhood, it might be good for it—the outdoor space—to be private or semiprivate. Architecturally, I’d like the building to feel ‘homey’ rather than institutional, not a box. I’d like for one or two roof lines of the new building reflect—echo—the slants of the church roof line.”
- “1.) Keep 87+ parking spaces. 2.) Solar power to entire campus.”
- “I was in the Sunday School class that was instrumental in getting Attention Homes started. Now let’s get to the next phase. No more NIMBY.” -Margaret Bowdey. 95 yrs.
- “As a parent who lives nearby, I hope that you implement a curfew for residents to ensure their success. I have heard arguments both for and against this project and am still making up my mind.”
- “We are very supportive of this project. Homeless youth deserve our support. When they are left to the streets they learn from the adults—how to get drugs of all kinds, how to sell them and shoplift etc.—in order to survive. It hardens them. Thank you for building more housing to provide structure & support so they can find their way.” Judy O’Reilly[?] and David Kline. 1829 Mapleton.
- “We need affordable housing for working adults—police—teachers. Build a place for youth in north or east Boulder. 94% public funds?! What a deal for the developers! No more homeless please—you will attract them!”
- “I will do all I can to make this fail.”
- “More homeless youth with dogs? Please reconsider. This should not be downtown in prime real estate.”

- “Most church members are not residents of the Whittier neighborhood, but they were encouraged to come to this open house and to next weeks. Leave comments here[?] You are hearing mostly hearing [sic] from church members not Whittier neighbors.”
- “Thank you for bringing this to our community!”
- “This would be a wonderful thing to offer our homeless youth—I’m very happy about project [sic] as a whole. Main concern is that we will maintain enough parking for the church. Thank you.”
- “Big supporter of the project & I live in the Whittier neighborhood. Please keep me updated.”
- “I am concerned about parking and believe the condition of residency should be without cars. Even so, the property should provide parking for staff.”