

I am writing to urge that the Commission reject so called "pop-ups" where a single family row house is converted into multiple apartments or condos. These pop-ups destroy the character of our neighborhoods and infringe on the rights of the adjoining row houses. If the Commission somehow decides to allow these pop-ups then there should be transparency and the rights of adjoining homeowners should be protected-someone has to be named who will be responsible for any issues related to the construction, they should provide the homeowners with a construction schedule and weekly progress updates, and the developer should be required to post a bond equal to the value of the adjoining rowhouses that can be used to pay for any damage caused in the construction. Many of these row houses are nearly 100 years old-mine was built in 1915 and have historical worth. Pop ups are an affront to historical preservation and change the character of the neighborhood. Moreover, parking will be severely impacted. Please don't allow pop-ups but if you must make sure that adjoining homeowners are protected. Right now a developer rolls in with little or no notice protected by several layers of corporate shells and bears no responsibility for damage to the adjoining homeowners property or for any subsequent damage due to poor design or construction. One has already been in progress around the corner from me in the 1500 block of Buchannen and it is absolutely wrong for the neighborhood and particularly stressful on the adjoining owners. Parking is going to be even worse once this project is completed. my neighborhood dates to before WW I and it must be protected. Thank you

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