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I wish to comment on Zoning Case No. 14-11. I reside in a home I own with my wife in an R-4 Zone District in Park View. While I appreciate the architectural concerns that prompted this new regulation, I think it goes to far. The new regulations are very restrictive, and prohibit many valuable uses of space that could be realized without drastically altering the visual appearance of neighborhoods.

Part of the reason my wife and I bought a home in an R-4 district is because of the flexibility it would allow us as our family grows and our needs change. We put most of our life savings into our down payment, and the new regulations would take away a lot of the flexibility we meant to purchase.

I do not think the new regulations should pass. Barring that, I think those who owned their homes prior to this new regulation should be able to renovate their homes under the old (present) regulations. This would probably prevent most of the egregious flipping that goes on, but still allow people to use their homes the way the envisioned when they purchased.

Thank you,
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