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Comments

Here, again, is a foundational first question: is this proposed project exempt from CEQA review? The answer is No. The letter from the neighbor's lawyer, Mr. Weaver, presents and discusses evidence and issues which are compelling, including many potentially significant impacts and numerous "unusual circumstances" .. Very compelling is the potential for excessive grading and excavation, also a separate HDP issue.

Most upsetting is the "serial permit" or "phased permit" issue again. Such a permit practice constitutes a clear violation of the CEQA "whole" of the project rule.

Alternatively, if you consider the substance of the HDP, Mr. Weaver also has presented compelling evidence that the proposed project, specifically the proposed construction in the rear including the "deck", pool, lower level square footage, etc., blocks protected views. When the Hillside Ordinance was updated not too long ago, the view issue was at the top of the list. View protection is a high priority for the Linda Vista-Annandale Association and our residents. Therefore, as to this proposed project and its current proposed design, at least 807 square feet, if not all, of Excess Neighborhood compatibility square footage should be denied.

**I consent to have my
comment read out loud
during the meeting.**

Yes