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> CITY OF PASADENA
> DESIGN COMMISSION
> C/O MICHI TAKEDA
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> RE: Proposed Project at 350 Cordova St.
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> I am a resident of the property bordering this proposed project on its west side and have a number of concerns. I am reconciled to the fact that, having endured two years of sometimes deafening and always irritating construction noise from the parking lot conversion on the corner of Euclid and Cordova Streets, nothing will be done to mitigate the years of disruption caused by this new project, going up literally within feet of my bedroom and living room. So be it.
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> But I read with horror that the project will entail “removal of four protected trees.” Does that mean ONLY four trees will be removed from the property? Or does it mean all trees - or most trees - including the four “protected” trees will be removed? Will any “protected” trees be spared? And why are “protected” trees being removed at all? In that case, who is failing in their commitment to protect?
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> There are a number of venerable, life-sustaining trees on this property, which provide habitat for wildlife, as well protection from heat, sun, and toxins. Several were culled just a few years ago. Among those remaining are the ones that shade Cordova Street. I call upon the Commission and the city to protect them and to disallow the practice of building right up to the sidewalk, with no green setbacks around the property.
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> Doesn't it occur to anyone that adding 70-80 more condos to the neighborhood, (not to mention the four other construction sites within an area of just a few blocks) means 70-160 more autos? That makes these trees all the more crucial to the air quality and subsequent health of those of us who live and breathe here.
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> Please consider the life and health of residents, present and future: human, wildlife, and arboreal, in your review.
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> Thank you for your consideration of these issues.

> Nancy Gallagher

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