

## NANCY McPeak

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**From:** Elizabeth Tuckwell <elizabethtuckwell@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 22, 2017 12:28 PM  
**To:** ANDREW THOMAS; Allen Tai; ERIN GARCIA; NANCY McPeak  
**Subject:** May 22 Planning Board ADU Discussion

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I emailed the below comments to each of the members of the Planning Board. Could you please ensure that my support for AAPS recommendations is known to all members of the Planning Board?

Here is a copy and paste of the comments I emailed to each of the members of the Planning Board:

"I support AAPS's recommendations regarding ADUs.

AAPS's main recommendations are:

1. Do not increase the maximum size of an ADU from the existing 600 sq. ft. to 1200 sq.ft. except for those contained within the existing building; and
2. Retain the existing design standard requiring detached ADUs visible from the street to maintain the architecture of the existing one family house.

A more complete explanation of AAPS's recommendations is contained in a letter sent to the Planning Board.

Thank you.

Elizabeth Tuckwell

Alameda Resident"

Thanks for your assistance in making all members of the Planning Board aware that I support the recommendations of the AAPS.

Elizabeth Tuckwell

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**From:** Nancy Gordon <revnjoy@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 22, 2017 3:16 PM  
**To:** David Burton; John Knox White; Kristoffer Koster; Sandy Sullivan; Lorre Zuppan; David Mitchell; Ronald Curtis; athomas@ci.alameda.ca.us; Allen Tai; NANCY McPeak  
**Subject:** 5/22 Nancy Gordon's SERIOUS concerns re ADU proposed changes!!

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Dear Planning Board members and Planning staff members,

Regarding the proposed changes to our current Alameda building guidelines, particularly ADU's, it has come to my attention that there are several issues which I find totally unacceptable. I ask that you please consider the serious ramifications of "relaxing" the design standards for detached ADU's.

1. Please KEEP the maximum by-right ADU size at the existing 600 sq. ft.
2. IF a detached ADU doesn't have to fit the style of the house already on the property, nor only be located at the rear, this would affect the whole neighborhood and leave open the possibility of cheap, ugly structures even in the front part of the lots.
3. Seems to me from reading 3 letters you've received from people stating the need for ADUs for aging family members, that there needs to remain the owner-occupancy requirement. That's where they state the need is now and in the future!
4. I also find the potential removal of trees and vegetation in order to accommodate an ADU is totally contrary to Alameda's longtime commitment to "greenbelts."

We already have huge parking problems, especially in neighborhoods with converted historical homes where there isn't adequate parking. Traffic is a also a complaint I hear all the time from both residents and visitors. IF owners can keep the ADU within the existing square footage of the house (like basement area), that makes sense to allow a larger space, but NOT for a detached structure...that looks like a modern storage unit without any architectural value. Alameda's Design Review needs to really be circumspect on what they allow!

I'm asking you to definitely protect the character of Alameda's neighborhoods, and historical buildings – both residential and commercial areas.

Sincerely,

Nancy Gordon – resident and Realtor in Alameda  
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**From:** T Krysiak <tsitjk@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 22, 2017 12:04 PM  
**To:** David Burton; John Knox White; Kristoffer Koster; Sandy Sullivan; Lorre Zuppan; David Mitchell; Ronald Curtis; NANCY McPeak  
**Cc:** ANDREW THOMAS; Allen Tai; ERIN GARCIA  
**Subject:** ADU Ruling-Please do not allow this...

Dear Planning Commission for the City of Alameda:

I'm a Alameda citizen who has deep concerns about the pending decision for allowing construction of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's) on all residentially zoned lots that now contain a one-family house. Relaxing the design standards will severely detract from the appearance and livability of our community. Our neighborhood's street are already over-saturated with parked cars and I understand that the proposed ADU ordinance will exempt the requirement for additional parking spaces. This short cut is not a good plan.

Please do not approve this ordinance at tonight's meeting. Thank you.

Regards,

Tom & Donna Krysiak  
Sweet Road

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**From:** Rosemary McNally <rosemary@rosemarymcnally.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 22, 2017 5:00 PM  
**To:** David Burton; John Knox White; Kristoffer Koster; Sandy Sullivan; Lorre Zuppan; David Mitchell; Ronald Curtis  
**Cc:** ANDREW THOMAS; Allen Tai; ERIN GARCIA; NANCY McPeak  
**Subject:** ADU --Support AAPS view!

Hello Planning Board Members:

We (my husband and I) urge you to abide by the recommendations made by the AAPS when it comes to your decisions about ADU.

If not, the character and quality of life in Alameda will be gone. Poof! Gone.

Thank you very much.

Rosemary McNally  
Alameda Resident since 1994

Bob Huestis  
Born in Alameda in 1928.



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**From:** Keith Nealy <keith.nealy@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 22, 2017 5:29 PM  
**Cc:** NANCY McPeak; ERIN GARCIA; Allen Tai; ANDREW THOMAS  
**Subject:** Opposition to ADU's in Alameda

We are opposed to relaxing requirements for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's). We live in the West End of Alameda and have watched as our neighborhoods have become more and more packed with new housing. It is changing the character of Alameda. We have three adjoining neighbors who have blocked our views with structures in their back yards. If you continue to allow the build up of more and more structures Alameda will no longer be the pleasant city it has been. This is not to mention the serious traffic issues which you have not addressed in any meaningful way.

Please STOP! If you are unable to stop, then slow it until we can change whatever law is facilitating it. Our island is at stake.

Best wishes,

Keith Nealy  
Anne Nealy