

City of Fort Bragg
416 N. Franklin St.
Fort Bragg, Ca 95437

October 12, 2017

Re: Request for a public hearing



Dear Sarah McCormick and or Marie Jones,

We hereby request a public hearing related to the following Notice of Pending Action;

File Number/Date: MUP 4-17 / 9-15-2017

Owner/Applicant: Dana Dorothy Jess

Location: 208 Park Street

Assessor's Parcel No: 008-243-11

There is no precedent for such a unit.

No two story units exist on in the immediate block, neighborhood or the seven properties that share the alley that the proposed unit would sit on. Being the only property owners on the alley with a short "good neighbor" fence directly adjacent to this proposed two story unit, we will be greatly impacted on how we can use our property, loss of daylight, loss of our privacy and burdened by increased traffic in an already difficult and dangerous intersection. Both the traffic pressure on the "alley" sized streets in the area, the alley that the proposed structure sits on have existing issues that need to be addressed.. There is no posted Speed Limit sign on Willow Street where the alley is accessed from the north. Willow Street is very thin where the alley meets Willow, cars currently have to pause and wait for on coming traffic before proceeding on what is supposed to be a two way street. These streets are highly used by children walking to school and parents using Willow as a short cut to avoid school speed limits and stop signs while driving children to the schools, Aquatic Center, Skate Park and Dog Park. The Aquatic Center and Dog Park have both significantly increased traffic on Willow and Maple which are on either end of the alley that lead to this proposed unit.

Additional pressure on the alley itself; This alley is in poor condition and is situated where there was once a creek and seasonally water flows from the high point at Maple & Lincoln to the low point at the alley and Willow Street. The property at 211 Lincoln already has tenants that use the alley for access exclusively and a construction business is operating at 208 Park Street. They often use the alley at the structure in question as an early morning rally point prior to heading out for the days work. Not a quiet event right outside of our bedroom in the early morning. Combine this with use from the other adjoining properties the construction company, this little alley is already over burdened and on the border of being a nuisance. More traffic use will deteriorate the alley condition & increase traffic even further.

Last but far from the least there is the loss of privacy our property will experience directly. A two story unit that will over look our fence directly into our back yard is not acceptable. This will result in a direct decrease in the value of our property and a complete loss of our privacy. For ten years we have watched the Fourth of July fireworks with our young daughter and four fifteen years we have watched sunsets from our back yard. The complete loss of our sunset view and annual fireworks from our back yard is a close second to the loss of our privacy and decrease in property value. Please consider this as our public statement on this matter. We are against any addition or new construction that will completely eliminate any privacy in our back yard, increase traffic and pressure on the adjacent streets or that contribute to the loss of our westerly view or decrease the value of our or any other property in the immediate vicinity.

If the city were to fix the alley as they have others in recent years, post 15 MPH speed limits and additional stop signs on Willow Street, a single story residential use only structure with no east facing windows that peer into our private yard would be acceptable.

Sincerely,

Annette & Larry Tholberg
828 Willow Street
Fort Bragg, Ca 95437

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Annette Tholberg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature, the name "Annette Tholberg" is printed in a matching cursive font.